MEMORANDUM

TO: The Commission

FROM: Office of the Commission Secretary $\angle C$

DATE: July 19, 2022

SUBJECT: AO 2022-14 (Google LLC) 580 Individual Comments

Attached are 580 individual comments on AO 2022-14 (Google LLC).

Attachment



By Office of the Commission Secretary at 9:47 am, Jul 19, 2022

 From:
 Huck Rafail

 To:
 AO

 Subject:
 2022-14

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 10:17:18 AM

No, No, And Hell no for the political ads being un spammed!

From: <u>David Shulmister</u>

To: AC

Subject: AO 2022-14 - political spam **Date:** Sunday, July 17, 2022 10:53:44 AM

To whom it may concern:

As a free American, I cherish my <u>right to choose</u> whether I am going to participate in the political processes of our country. As such, I do not want any <u>unsolicited communication of any sort</u> delivered to me in any way. I cannot control what arrives in my physical mailbox, but I very much appreciate the ability to filter such things (which I am <u>not going to read anyway</u>) from my email, saving my very precious time. Please do not allow the filtering of political spam to be disabled or restricted in any manner; I do not want it, I will not read it, and it will only make me angry having to manually delete it.

- J. David Shulmister, St. Petersburg, FL

From: Grey Wolfe
To: AO

Subject: AO 2022-14 (Google LLC) - deny Google's Request

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 11:08:30 AM

I am writing to ask that the FEC deny Google's request regarding AO 2022-14 (Google LLC). Allowing this action could result in many people being exposed to potentially disturbing or even triggering words, regardless of where one resides in the political landscape. Google claims that they would allow political entities to bypass the SPAM blockers, however, they would force them to include an "unsubscribe" button. Unfortunately, these buttons are typically found in a tiny font at the bottom of an email. Thus, a reader would at the very least have to scroll through potentially disturbing materials in order to simply prevent further harassment. Even then, just that particular sender would be blocked. The political entity could simply choose another sender name and resend the same or even more disturbing email because senders are notified when they are blocked or someone unsubscribes. This could initiate a cascade of offensive emails from the sender using different names.

Sincerely,

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Shannon Compton, PhD, AHIP

"People will forget what you said, people will forget what you did, but people will never forget how you made them feel." Maya Angelou

"until we get equality in education, we won't have an equal society." — Sonia Sotomayor, Associate Justice of the Nonconformist Hall of Fame

 From:
 GL Scott

 To:
 AO

 Subject:
 AO 2022-14 "Google Request"

 Date:
 Sunday, July 17, 2022 11:42:42 AM

Good Morning,

Approving Google's request will be government perpetuation of predatory campaign practices that have inundated all political parties with scandal in the last decade. Further, it will victimize those least tech savvy and most vulnerable. You still haven't figured out how to address the use of social media platforms for spreading disinformation; now you want that in everyone's inbox? This will be another step toward a dissolved government like the ones seen in the Middle East, 3rd World nations, and every other recent civil conflict around the world.

V/R

Scott

From: **Dustin Kerstein**

To:

AO 2022-14 comment Subject:

Sunday, July 17, 2022 10:00:47 AM Date:

Allowing political emails to bypass Gmail's spam filter will likely lead to entities taking advantage of this unfair prioritization. Please do not allow this.

From: <u>John Purvis</u>

To: <u>AO</u>

Subject: AO 2022-14 Google no - spam request Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 10:06:16 AM

Please dear GOD do not allow this change to happen. We are inundated now with campaign advertisements everywhere. DO NOT ALLOW more campaign spam in our email.

From:

To:

 Subject:
 AO 2022-14 Google request

 Date:
 Sunday, July 17, 2022 11:09:47 AM

To whom it may concern:

The AO 2022-14 proposal from Google should NOT be passed/allowed to happen. I do not want to be bombarded with political messages, from either party, that I will have to manually remove from my inbox. I get plenty of emails and do not want to sift through more to find what is relevant to my day.

Thank you, in advance, for denying this request from Google.

Chris Whitted



From: <u>John Balteanu</u>

To: AO

Subject: AO 2022-14 Input

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 11:42:38 AM

To whom it may concern,

Regarding AO 2022-14, please do not grant this request.

This request would be crossing several lines that should not be crossed.

From likely higher levels of division in this country due to an even deeper access of political messaging directly to the population to the forming of a more than questionable mutually beneficial relationship between Google & politicians. The implications of such a mutually beneficial relationship are morally questionable at best.

Thank you for your consideration.

From: <u>Donna Mitchell</u>

To: <u>AO</u>

Subject: AO 2022-14 legislation with Google filters Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 11:54:40 AM

Do not let this bill pass that says Google's spam filters should be changed. If I want to receive political solicitations, I can ask for them. I do not need overwhelming emails clogging my inbox.

The filters in Gmail are precisely the reason I use it - - - it helps me stay organized and focused. This is a ridiculous bill that puts the onus and the responsibility on the consumer to deal with when it should be the sender's responsibility to devise marketing strategies that appropriately work.

Thank you.

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Donna R. Mitchell

Phillip Herendeen From:

To:

AO 2022-14 Subject:

Sunday, July 17, 2022 11:06:12 AM Date:

Please, please do not allow political emails, Democratic or Republican, bypass SPAM filters.

Thank you

Respectfully yours

P. Herendeen

 From:
 John

 To:
 AO

 Subject:
 AO 2022-14

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 11:05:45 AM

Regarding Google's desire to allow email from political groups to be exempt from going directly to the spam folder: DO NOT LET THIS HAPPEN!! One of the biggest advantages for me of not owning a TV is that I do not have to listen to the barrage of sleazy campaign ads during election season (which, as far as I can tell, rarely persuade anyone, but mostly serve to entrench people in the political biases they already have). I will surely find another email provider if Google lets these ads evade spam controls. John Kuentzel

Sent from my iPad

From: <u>Chrisovalantis Lakhiani</u>

To: <u>AO</u> **Subject:** AO 2022-14

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 11:05:15 AM

Dear FEC,

I would like to discuss the proposal allowing political messages to be exempt from spam filtration.

It is evident that our political environment in the US is becoming increasingly divided. It has polarized to the extent that politically mediated and hate violence is a greater threat than it has been in years past. In addition, there is ever more pressure for workers to be responsive to emails both in and out of the workplace.

Humbly, I suggest that Americans need less divisive politics in their email inboxes. Email is no longer just a personal address, but a lifeline for performing work, paying bills, and coordinating life events. It must be protected at all costs from uninvited messages - including political messaging - that dilute the ability for us to use email for what matters in our daily life.

In this age of high inequality, inflation, worker demands, etc... please, just let us do our work and suffer in peace. Do not bombard us with the machinations of our extremist political groups in a quest for power that has left the American people hollow.

Thank you for your consideration.

Chris Lakhiani, MD

<u>P M</u> From: <u>AO</u> To: AO 2022-14 Subject:

Sunday, July 17, 2022 11:04:52 AM Date:

No, please no! We should not have to suffer more political ads. Political ads should be limited in time and amount and definatly should not be passed over from the spam filter.

Patricia Morris New Mexico Dedicated voter From: <u>Timothy Stevens</u>

To: <u>AO</u>

Subject: AO 2022-14

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 11:04:43 AM

This change to the way Google handles political pitch email is absolutely a terrible idea, which would make my life miserable. It's one thing to elect to receive such email, it's quite another to have to reject receiving each and every political pitch individually.

Timothy

"One cannot and must not try to erase the past merely because it does not fit the present" Golda Meir

 From:
 Jordan Jacobs

 To:
 AO

 Subject:
 AO 2022-14

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 11:04:10 AM

Do. Not. Grant. This. Request

Sami Hammer From:

To:

AO 2022-14 Sunday, July 17, 2022 11:03:49 AM Subject: Date:

Please do not grant this request!!

From: <u>Marjorie Miranda</u>

To: <u>AO</u>

Subject: AO 2022-14

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 11:03:22 AM

To whom it concerns,

Please do NOT allow Google to relax their Gmail SPAM filter to allow political emails to my Gmail account. We do NOT need more email SPAM! We need LESS SPAM. If this happens, I will switch to another email provider (Microsoft O365 for instance).

Regards,

David Miranda

From: Glenn McFeeters

To: <u>AO</u> **Subject:** AO 2022-14

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 11:02:55 AM

As a very early adopter of gmail I have always been a fan and have always understood that I payed for the service by giving up a portion of my privacy and acceptance of a reasonable amount of unwanted nuisance e-mail. I did so because I was able to filter out obvious spam.

Politicians have made a mockery of many laws of civility and unity by exempting themselves and their self promotion (and opponent bashing) from rules that "We the People" must obey.

I am adamantly opposed to exempting them from spam rules or filters as proposed by this change to Gmail.

Should this be allowed, I and I expect millions of others will yet again disappointed by the government that we put in place to protect and serve us.

Glenn

"If you tell the truth you don't have to remember anything." – Mark Twain

From: <u>David Miranda</u>

To: <u>AO</u>

Subject: AO 2022-14

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 11:02:12 AM

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Please do NOT allow Google to relax their Gmail SPAM filter to allow political emails to my Gmail account. We do NOT need more email SPAM! We need LESS SPAM. If this happens, I will switch to another email provider (Microsoft O365 for instance).

Regards,

David Miranda

 From:
 Mi Tos

 To:
 AO

 Subject:
 AO 2022-14

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 11:01:54 AM

To whom it may concern,

In regards to reference #AO 2022-14, please do not grant this request. Political advertising is already a blight on the collective psyche of our country. Don't allow another avenue of harassment please. Thank you very much and have a good day

Sincerely,

M. T.

 From:
 Sean Berry

 To:
 AO

 Subject:
 AO 2022-14

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 11:00:19 AM

ao@fec.gov, and including the reference number of Google's request: "AO 2022-14."

Nope! Nope! Nope! Nope!

I'm a conservative independent. Block them all equally! All of them.

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Sent from Gmail Mobile

From: <u>Mix</u> <u>AO</u> To: Subject: AO 2022-14

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 10:59:48 AM

Here is an idea......send all unsolicited campaign emails to SPAM regardless of party affiliation.... I can then decide what ads I want to approve/read. Do not be bullied by a bunch of temporarily elected whiners who don't really care about my rights..... I do not want to see these ads.

Thanks for allowing my input.

From: <u>Steven Weyhrich</u>

To: <u>AO</u>

Subject: AO 2022-14

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 10:56:54 AM

I am absolutely NOT in favor of allowing political emails to bypass spam filters for Gmail, particularly if they have to pass an "approved" list to qualify. That move would guarantee a majority of these un-wanted emails would be for Democrat-sponsored candidates and topics.

Furthermore, as a Republican, I'm not interested in unsolicited political junk from Republican sources in my inbox, even if it's from causes I support.

Steven Weyhrich >--<IX0YE>

From: Christina Compy

To: <u>AO</u> **Subject:** AO 2022-14

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 10:49:56 AM

Proposed plans to exempt political related emails from spam filtering could do massive harm to our democracy. It would enable further manipulation of Americans by political figures. There is already far too much bias based reporting and messaging. This would only add fuel to the fire burning the soul of America. It also introduces a vehicle to frame other spam in terms of political messaging. The upshot would be more than just political emails but anything that could be colored as such.

Please block the proposed changes by Google to spam rules and what should be categorized as spam.

thank you,

Christina Compy

 From:
 Dave Dirks

 To:
 AO

 Subject:
 AO 2022-14

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 10:48:07 AM

There may be worse ideas than exempting political adds from SPAM filters but I can't think of one. DO NOT APPROVE THIS. Political dialog in this country is very divisive. Providing an easier way to pipe nonsense to billions of people is nothing but bad. DO NOT ALLOW THIS.

From: Shayne L. Glessing-Karzmar

To:

Subject: AO 2022-14

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 10:45:44 AM

To Whom It May Concern:

As a person with almost 60,000 msgs in my Gmail Folders, and having to spam notify over and over again, already - from BOTH Political Parties, I am nearly going insane.

Please do not allow Google to circumvent the hard, albeit unsuccessful efforts I already make, often with little success.

"Stop"; "end"; "no"; and every other avenue, incl directly responding and telling them "I did not subscribe, remove me from your lists" which does NOT work.

To open this type of approach up is insane!

With Regards,

Shayne Lee Glessing-Karzmar

From: Jim and MaeLynn McCrory

To:

AO 2022-14 Subject:

Sunday, July 17, 2022 10:44:37 AM Date:

A HARD NO on political emails slipping through the cracks of my spam filter.

 From:
 Arif

 To:
 AO

 Subject:
 AO 2022-14

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 10:43:52 AM

Please tell Google it should stay away from participating and providing a free ride to politicians inundating my inbox.

I already get enough junk even with spam filters active, we need more spam control not less.

Today google wants to exempt politicians, what will be next? Big non profits, big pharma, medical advice?

Please do not open this Pandora's box.

Keep politicians from invading my inbox

Thank you

Arif Khan

Melinda Varkel From:

To:

AO 2022-14 Subject:

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 10:42:08 AM

Absolutely no one wants this. No, no, no!

From: Joseph Cannelongo

To:

AO 2022-14 Subject:

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 10:41:56 AM

Please do not allow Google to pass blocked political emails to be unblocked.

Beth Schwartz From:

To:

AO 2022-14 Subject:

Sunday, July 17, 2022 10:40:46 AM Date:

Do. Not. Grant. This. Request.--Beth H. Schwartz

Matt Templeton From:

To:

AO 2022-14 Subject:

Sunday, July 17, 2022 10:39:09 AM Date:

Absolutely do not allow this change to be made. Do not allow politicians to bypass the spam filters.

From: Michael Handley

To:

AO 2022-14 Subject:

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 10:38:54 AM

You want a solution? Treat ALL the political emails as spam. No one party gets an advantage then.

Allow them? If you do, I promise to forward each and every such email that I receive directly to you!

Michael Handley Naperville IL

Sent from my iPad

 From:
 Jennifer D

 To:
 AO

 Subject:
 AO 2022-14

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 10:37:41 AM

Do not allow this.

I call BS on the "why" behind it too. Google doesn't do anything without some sort of compensation.

What did the politicians promise in return?

Jennifer DeProspo

 From:
 Chris Dunlop

 To:
 AO

 Subject:
 AO 2022-14

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 10:36:03 AM

Hello,

I would like to strongly stand against the request by Google to remove political spam emails from their spam filtering. This is a forced method for political groups to push false information. As there is NO FEC requirements for political messaging to be grounded in fact or truth you will essentially be allowing idealogues to sell on their vision for American that will wipe away our Republican in lieu of either an oligarchy or potentially an authoritarian regime. Respectfully this is a TERRIBLE idea.

Regards, Chris Dunlop Arizona From: Shawn Mollen
To: AO

Subject: AO 2022-14

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 10:35:23 AM

RE: AO 2022-14

This is a horrible idea. NO ONE wants to increase the amount of spam routed to their inbox. We already have to deal with spam email that gets through due to Google's imperfect spam detection.

From: <u>Devon Krueger</u>

To: <u>AO</u> **Subject:** AO 2022-14

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 10:34:41 AM

In regards to AO 2022-14 I vehemently oppose not being able to filter out emails from political representatives and fundraising events of which I do not wish to receive in my inbox. My inbox is not a dumping ground for political ads, especially if I utterly oppose a viewpoint expressed in the email.

The proposed idea to prevent GMAIL'S algorithm from automatically filtering spam based on personal feedback does not fall in line with my right to avoid seeing things I consider spam. This idea was proposed on grounds that republican political emails are being filtered more than the opposing party's but that sounds like a messaging issue on the political party, not a filter bias since spam is individualized for everyone aside from known scam tactics.

Respectfully, A concerned citizen
 From:
 Beth Schlein

 To:
 AO

 Subject:
 AO 2022-14

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 10:34:08 AM

I do not want to get unsolicited emails

 From:
 Mike S

 To:
 AO

 Subject:
 AO 2022-14

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 10:33:28 AM

Don't do it!

GRETCHEN REDD From:

To:

AO 2022-14 Subject:

Sunday, July 17, 2022 10:32:15 AM Date:

No no no!!! No political spam from either side should be sent to my inbox!! Who got campaign money to trying to push this stupid idea?!?!?

Count me a No. Gretchen Redd

Sent from AT&T Yahoo Mail on Android

 From:
 Georgia C

 To:
 AO

 Subject:
 AO 2022-14

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 10:30:08 AM

Why would the FEC change Gmail SPAM rules to benefit politicians and their shady PACs to the detriment of users? NO NO ABSOLUTELY NOT!! My Outlook email is plagued with SPAM. Gmail is an island of sanity. Just NO! Please reject this madness!! Georgia Christian

Sent from my iPhone

From: Walter Putman

To: <u>AO</u>

Subject: AO 2022-14

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 10:27:34 AM

My comments regarding Google's proposed action on prioritizing political spam e-mail over spam filters:

Imagine for a minute giving the US Postal Service control over which mail you actually read vs. throw in the garbage. It is effectively the same level of authority. Additionally this would give one corporation an unprecidented amount of power over not only political views but also the ability to determine on their own what is or is not important to the consumer.

Please deny Google's request.

Walter Putman

 From:
 Len Esau

 To:
 AO

 Subject:
 AO 2022-14

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 10:27:23 AM

Dear FEC representative,

No, please do not allow Google to change spam rules. Spam is spam and political emails are spam. They should not be exempt.

Thank you.

Len Esau

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A day without laughter is a day wasted (Charlie Chaplin)

lady Raven AO AO 2022-14 Sunday, July 17, 2022 10:26:07 AM From: To: Subject:

Date:

I do not want any more political emails in my inbox.

Gary McLamb From: AO 2022-14 To:

Subject:

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 10:25:29 AM

Please do not allow google to pass the political emails though the spam filter. I get enough unwanted emails as it is!!

David Skinner From:

To:

AO 2022-14 Subject:

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 10:24:19 AM

Absolutely no!

 From:
 Gary Levin

 To:
 AO

 Subject:
 AO 2022-14

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 10:22:39 AM

Google classifies mail as spam based on users' feedback. If a mailer does not want their mail classified as spam, reduce the number of messages, keep the content factual, and limit the amount of begging for money.

An occasional request from any party is acceptable. Getting flooded with bogus messages is unacceptable.

Deny this request!

Gary Levin

 From:
 Ellen Sears

 To:
 AO

 Subject:
 AO 2022-14

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 10:21:59 AM

Absolutely not!

Gmail users already receive too many ads in our inboxes.

Please do not allow political advertising/messaging which should go directly to spam folders, into our inboxes.

Thank you for your consideration,

Ellen Medvitz

 From:
 1 Smith

 To:
 AO

 Subject:
 AO 2022-14

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 10:20:40 AM

Regarding AO 2022-14.

Please do not exclude unsolicited political emails from SPAM categorization. If there is a candidate or group I wish to be activly in communication with, I will subscribe.

Thank you.

From: Theresa Ford

To:

AO 2022-14 Subject:

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 10:17:56 AM

Please do not allow any political emails and find a better way to opt out of all political and spam emails.

Thank you

Sent from Theresa Ford's iPhone

From: <u>katrina hande</u>
To: <u>AO</u>

Subject: AO 2022-14

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 10:17:38 AM

Regarding Google's request to allow political ads to bypass spam, I can only say NO, NO, NO, NO, A THOUSAND TIMES NO!!!

FOR THE LOVE OF GOD, HOW IS THIS EVEN BEING CONSIDERED?

Do I not have the right to choose the content of emails?

We're already bombarded with political madness on TV, on highway billboards, plastered all over public transit, and other public places.

I am vehemently opposed to this proposal, especially as this mockery of what constitutes political discourse these days ramps up for November elections this year and for 2024. Stop the madness. Dont enable it.

Thank you,

AKA

Katrina Hande

DENNIS DUGAN From:

To:

AO 2022-14 Subject:

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 10:12:49 AM

I'm very much against the proposed changes to gmail that Google is requesting.

Dennis Dugan

Sent from my iPad

Christen Moroz From:

To:

Subject:

AO 2022-14 Sunday, July 17, 2022 10:12:43 AM Date:

I do not want this change to Gmail.

Christen

 From:
 Carol Speirs

 To:
 AO

 Subject:
 AO 2022-14

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 10:11:36 AM

Good morning,

After reading of the proposal to allow political emails to by-pass spam filters in Gmail I must request that this not be approved. People can opt in if needed and desired. Gmail users need to be able to filter the incoming emails, just as we can turn off our television or radio if we don't want the constant negative barrage.

Please consider the needs of the Gmail users over the preferences of political action groups.

Carol Speirs

From: Garett Chadney

To: <u>AO</u> **Subject:** AO 2022-14

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 10:11:25 AM

I recently read an article stating that Google is requesting that political emails should be treated differently than regular emails; that those political emails should not be routed into Spam folders.

I CANNOT DISAGREE ENOUGH TO THIS IDEA

Politicians already can do virtually anything they want nowadays and get away with it - up to and including insurrection. Why We The People allow them do do this baffles my mind but no one other than politicians and their campaigns want their spam emails to get through our email filters. The only reason Google would have for making this request is money. Pure and simple.

DO NOT APPROVE THIS

Garett Chadney Registered Voter Gmail User

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Garett Chadney

 From:
 Jerri Butts

 To:
 AO

 Subject:
 AO 2022-14

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 10:10:18 AM

Please do not add to my burden of unwanted emails by exempting the politicians from spam filters!

From: <u>James Oppenheim</u>

To: <u>AO</u>
Subject: AO 2022-14

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 10:08:13 AM

I am writing in my personal capacity to object to Google's proposed pilot program, AO 2022-14. under which emails from some FEC-registered political committees would "not be affected by forms of spam detection to which they would otherwise be subject."

Thank you, but no. Already, too much spam skips the spam rules and reaches my mailbox, particularly political spam. It takes hours from my work week sifting the important emails from the unsolicited, sometime resulting in the former being accidentally deleted.

This appears to be a project steeped in partisanship, the result of conservative pressure on Google. It should be rejected as bad for consumers.



From: Holly Herman & Jason Dickert

To: <u>AO</u>

Subject: AO 2022-14

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 10:07:04 AM

I am against having politicians be able to force advertising on my private devices. I should not have to block each and every one of their ads. I requested to reject this intrusive and terrible change of policy.

Holly Herman

 From:
 Eric Cohen

 To:
 AO

 Subject:
 AO 2022-14

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 10:05:54 AM

We want tighter spam control, not looser. Please no.

Eric Cohen

From: <u>Michael Sullivan</u>

To: AO Subject: AO 2022-14

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 10:04:32 AM

Dealing with unsolicited junk in my email inbox is a continuous pain in the neck. Don't make it worse by allowing AO 2022-14!

Sent from Yahoo Mail for iPhone

From: <u>Brenda Wichman</u>

To: <u>AO</u>

Subject: AO 2022-14

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 10:03:33 AM

I'm writing to express my profound opposition to the referenced proposal. Political parties should but be able to buy the ability to manipulate my email. Just say no.

witnesstothefact AO AO 2022-14 From:

To:

Subject:

Sunday, July 17, 2022 10:02:41 AM Date:

I oppose the AO 2022-14. I don't want it.

 From:
 Dan weis

 To:
 AO

 Subject:
 AO 2022-14

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 11:08:00 AM

I'm 100% opposed to this idea. It's fully spam and should remain that way. I already get way too many texts from these sort of people, why do I want now emails? This is a horrible idea from a company trying to play nice with one political party.

Sent from my iPhone

 From:
 Linda Young

 To:
 AO

 Subject:
 AO 2022-14

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 11:10:26 AM

NO political ads please.

If the ones that I don't subscribe to already start finding their way into my mailbox, and not spam, I guess it will be time for a new email address that does not end in @gmail.com. I am not in favor, in any way, shape, or form to this proposal.

Thank you, Linda Young

P.S. The Republican party has been making this accusation across the internet. Actual studies done show IT IS NOT TRUE.

Jerome Marburg From:

AO 2022-14 To:

Subject:

Sunday, July 17, 2022 11:12:41 AM Date:

Please - no!!! --

Jerome Marburg LL.B. MBA

Nagaap Consulting Senior Fellow - Institute for Good Governance

Andrew Shervin From:

To:

AO 2022-14 Subject:

Sunday, July 17, 2022 11:14:44 AM Date:

Are you fucking kidding me? No. No. No. A thousand times no.

Christopher Sanborn From:

To:

AO 2022-14 Subject:

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 11:17:20 AM

No.

This is a bad idea on so many levels. Users suffer the brunt. Google will find a way to monetize it to their benefit.

No.

From: Baseer Ahmad

To: <u>AO</u>

Subject: AO 2022-14

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 11:18:48 AM

As a concerned US citizen, I oppose the measure by Google to allow political messages to be considered non-spam.

To allow Google to do this would be akin to Google providing a large political donation to every politician sending emails to Gmail addresses (possible even in violation of laws governing political donations).

More damagingly, this may further polarized or divided country.

I ask you to oppose this messag measure.

Sincerely,

Baseer ahmad, MD

Get Outlook for Android

From: Mary Ellen Knowles

To: AO

Subject: AO 2022-14

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 11:19:41 AM

REJECT this request from Google.

It is free political funding for candidates.

Those who are interested in politics and donating to political campaigns have numerous other ways to consent to receive emails.

STOP

DO NOT OVERRUN MY INBOX WITH POLITICAL JUNK MAIL.

Mary Ellen Knowles

 From:
 Daniel Moen

 To:
 AO

Subject: AO 2022-14

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 11:20:35 AM

Please deny the request to let political spam emails come directly to our gmail inboxes. HORRIBLE idea. We already are INUNDATED with politics 24-7. It has infiltrated every area of our lives, to the annoyance of most. I certainly don't want to have to delete political junk mail from my inbox, along with the crap that's already in there.

Thank you

Sent from wherever I am

From: To:

AC

Subject:

AO 2022-14

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 11:21:15 AM

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From: <u>Keinan Ashkenazi</u>

To: <u>AO</u> **Subject:** AO 2022-14

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 11:22:31 AM

Please do not pass this legislation. We always have the ability to select something as "not spam". For most of us, these political emails are nothing but spam and are too numerous to even count. Filling our inbox with these mixed in with our regular emails would be awful. Thank you

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Keinan Ashkenazi

Sent from my iPhone/iPad

 From:
 Ken Cram

 To:
 AO

 Subject:
 AO 2022-14

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 11:26:22 AM

Please do not allow this to happen!

Sent from my iPad

 From:
 David Lalich

 To:
 AO

 Subject:
 AO 2022-14

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 11:27:05 AM

DO NOT allow this to happen! As part of my Free Speech rights, I want venomously oppose any unsolicited political emails. I am already receiving to many unsolicited political phone calls and postal mail!

If approved, there should be a way that Google users can Opt Out!

Don't elevate Google and PAC's Free Speech rights over private citizens rights!

David Lalich

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DAVID G. and JULIE A. LALICH

From: victoria nethercott

To: Subject: AO 2022-14

Sunday, July 17, 2022 11:28:27 AM

Please reject Google's request: "AO 2022-14" As this would create significant end user burden to explicitly exclude unsolicited political emails, result in potential unplanned costs associated with future charges for mail storage for unsolicited email, and would likely result in the targeting of vulnerable adults who unwittingly could end up being subject to aggressive fund raising practices.

Thank you,

Victoria Nethercott

Marshall Simmons From:

To:

AO 2022-14 Subject:

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 11:29:47 AM

This idea is terrible. Do not support Google with this. I do not want more spam

From: <u>Tim Winterfeld</u>

To: AO

Cc: Subject: AO 2022-14

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 11:29:48 AM

Sirs,

Googles request to allow political Spam into my inbox is only about them looking for another way to monetize email.

I am totally against allowing this to happen in any way or even partial way.

Spam political or otherwise is Spam. Do not allow this to happen.

Respectfully,

Tim Winterfeld

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Tim Winterfeld The Village High School Las Vegas, NV From: Janice Fuchs
To: AO

Subject: AO 2022-14

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 11:30:13 AM

Please do not allow Google to prioritize political emails to bypass SPAM in gmail. This would be an egregious abuse of my email communication.

Thank you for your consideration, Janice Fuchs

 From:
 mooseyquy

 To:
 AO

 Subject:
 AO 2022-14

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 11:31:11 AM

Sirs,

Please do not allow the potential for Google to allow spam to run rampant on email. Please firmly and unequivocally reject Google's request. This is a terrible idea.

Charles Habib

Get BlueMail for Android

 From:
 Scott Shimp

 To:
 AO

 Subject:
 AO 2022-14

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 11:31:35 AM

I am opposed to AO 2022-14. No to AO 2022-14

Samuel S Shimp Jacksonville, FL

 From:
 Mike M

 To:
 AO

 Subject:
 AO 2022-14

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 11:34:16 AM

Allowing political emails to escape spam is a terrible idea. If I want political emails, I'll sign up for them.

Thanks

Get BlueMail for Android

 From:
 Paul Laredo

 To:
 AO

 Subject:
 AO 2022-14

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 11:35:51 AM

Please, do not allow political emails to bypass SPAM filters, they are the very definition of SPAM.

 From:
 bill davis

 To:
 AO

 Subject:
 AO 2022-14

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 11:36:25 AM

I hope Google is not required to allow political campaigns to avoid our automatic spam folders. If I am interested in a particular political candidate or cause, I am quite capable of doing my own research. Thanks for considering our views.

Sent from my iPad

From: Gary Greathouse

To: AO

Subject: AO 2022-14

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 11:36:30 AM

In reference to: AO 2022-14. I am OPPOSED to any modifications of algorithms allowing more unwanted emails into my inbox.

From: <u>Jennifer Dutton</u>

To: <u>AO</u>

Subject: AO 2022-14

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 11:36:32 AM

Vehemently opposed to political spam coming directly to my inbox. This is political wrangling at the expense of your loyal customer base. If this goes through, I will be changing service.

Jennifer

 From:
 Brant Jessel

 To:
 AO

 Subject:
 AO 2022-14

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 11:38:50 AM

Do not Allow GMAIL to bypass my spam filter.

Brant Jessel, Portage Traditions Group, RE/Max Traditions, Licensed since 1998

 From:
 Wende S.

 To:
 AO

 Subject:
 AO 2022-14

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 11:39:29 AM

To whom it may concern,

I vehemently object to Google's proposal regarding political emails as noted in the subject line. It is bad enough all the unsolicited Spam we get anyway, which often includes very offensive material, but to exempt this specific type of email is no less offensive. I wish to receive emails that I choose to receive and not have to worry about individually filtering them out as Spam. Please consider carefully and do not approve this very flawed idea.

Sincerely,

Wende Shannon Moyock, NC US Citizen From: <u>Camilla Warden</u>

To: <u>AO</u> **Subject:** AO 2022-14

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 11:40:50 AM

To whom it may concern,

I believe the proposition by Google to send political advertising directly to the inbox would be a disaster. Would the emails be vetted for misinformation before being allowed to bypass spam, or would this propagate the current divisive political climate? If political ads were allowed to be the only exception, would they then push for being taken off of Apple's potential spam caller list, and then be able to call and email and push ads on tv. Where is the line? Right now it is obvious but making anyone the exception to a rule will undoubtedly cause backlash and confusion. I personally use my @gmail.com email for school, work, and personal accounts. It is important to me to have all my email notifications on, and to read all of my emails in my inbox. I unsubscribe or block the spam that does make it through (or i get for making an account on a website), but adding political campaign ads to the mix would be overwhelming and make my inbox unusable. I am sure you understand the feeling of letting a random number go to voicemail because the probability that it is a telemarketer or scammer. Please do not put gmail in the same position as the phone system by allowing political spam to get through. The extremely polarized American public would not respond well to having further polarizing spam in their inboxes, and it would also retract from the efficiency and integrity of using gmail for work or school purposes. I ask that you understand how this plan will be terrible for the individuals, the American public as a whole, and set a dangerous precedent that could hurt more people, or the gmail platform in the future.

Best Regards, Milla W
 From:
 segwalker

 To:
 AO

 Subject:
 AO 2022-14

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 11:42:03 AM

Absolutely not, I do not need my email being filled up by political ads. Republicans like to talk a big game about less government well this is more government shoved in my face, do not want it, do not need it!!!! It is my email I should be able to dictate what comes in and what does not!

Just to be succinct HELL NO!!

Sent from my T-Mobile 4G LTE Device

From: **Bob Carmody** To:

AO 2022-14 Subject:

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 11:44:12 AM

Keeping spam out of my inbox allows me to be productive in my work and life.

I absolutely Reject this proposal

Thank you.

 From:
 Bob Hamilton

 To:
 AQ

 Subject:
 AO 2022-14

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 11:45:16 AM

Anyone proposing this idea of political SPAM bypassing spam filters should be tied to a TV set with their eyes pried open and forced to watch hundreds of hours of 'my opponent is a scumbag' ads.

Do. Not. Grant. This. Request

 From:
 James Bryan

 To:
 AO

Subject: AO 2022-14

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 11:48:11 AM

This is a terrible idea. Do not allow this proposal. I do not want/need political email to crowd my inbox.

James Bryan

Sent from my iPad. Please excuse any typos.

Ronald Reddock From:

To:

AO 2022-14 Subject:

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 11:48:46 AM

This is horrendous idea, I have better things to do than filter unwanted/unsolicited. What next?

 From:
 Toby Roberts

 To:
 AO

 Subject:
 AO 2022-14

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 11:49:39 AM

AO 2022-14 - regarding this motion. I unequivocally oppose this motion to allow unsolicited political spam to bypass spam filters in gmail.

This is absolutely not in the public interest.

From:
To: AO
Subject: AO 2022-14

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 11:51:07 AM

I Oppose AO-2-22-14. Do not open our email to unsolicited trash from politicians.

From: Reis To: <u>AO</u> Subject: AO 2022-14

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 11:51:39 AM

Just no. The only people who would even consider this are those who would benefit monetarily and not normal everyday people. It's like putting up a no trespassing sign "but if you are here to rob the place that's fine, trespass away! Just make sure to give us, the place's security, a cut and you can do whatever the hell you want!"

 From:
 jcwade502

 To:
 AO

 Subject:
 AO 2022-14

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 11:52:00 AM

Concerning the proposal to allow political emails to bypass spam filters, I urge a resounding NO!

It is bad enough having to deal with the daily influx of junk we are sent. But to have to wade through the myriad lies and distortions put out by all these spineless grifters is unconscionable.

For God's sake, for once, do the right thing.

John Wade

Sent from my Verizon, Samsung Galaxy smartphone

From: <u>AO</u>

Subject: AO 2022-14

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 11:53:02 AM

RE: the above, please do NOT provide the hoard of politicians yet another pathway into our lives. They have too many now.

 From:
 Steven Hues

 To:
 AO

 Subject:
 AO 2022-14

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 11:53:41 AM

Do NOT grant Google's request to extend non-spam protection to political emails.

ann hitt AO AO 2022-14 From: To:

Subject:

Sunday, July 17, 2022 12:00:02 PM Date:

PLEASE do not allow political emails in my gmail inbox. It is SPAM.

Thanks, Ann Hitt
 From:
 David Motz

 To:
 AO

 Subject:
 AO 2022-14.

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 10:48:15 AM

Please deny this terrible idea. No more spam in my inbox!!

Laurie Baum From: AO 2022-14. To:

Subject:

Sunday, July 17, 2022 10:06:39 AM Date:

Say No to this request as in Absolutely Not!

 From:
 Milton Mejía

 To:
 AO

 Subject:
 AO 2022-14.

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 11:09:52 AM

To quote another wise person, "Allowing [G]oogle to prioritize political emails ... would basically mean that Google was providing a large political donation to every politician sending emails to Gmail addresses."

Please do not allow this!!!

Sarah Simmons From:

To:

Subject:

AO 2022-14. Sunday, July 17, 2022 11:37:06 AM Date:

Please no, don't let Google do this

From: <u>Leslie Leonetti</u>

To: AO

Subject: AO 2022-14.

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 10:57:59 AM

No no, no, a thousand times no.

Voicing my opinion about what is a terrible idea. I already get too much spam email in my inbox. Please do not make this change!

Thanks

Leslie Leonetti

From: Lou Sansevero

To: <u>AO</u>
Subject: AO 2022-14

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 11:06:36 AM

I strongly object to Google being able to send unsolicited emails for political purposes to my inbox.

This is a violation of my privacy and I do not want this to happen. Please look at the reality here and understand that people do not want to be solicited by political emails from anybody unless they agree to do that first.

This is overreach by the political parties and Google to generate more ad revenue and to clog up already crowded in boxes with spam email.

Listen to the people we do not want this.

Thank you for your time,

Lou Sansevero, CEO

m reddy From: To: Subject: Date:

AO Ao 2022-14 Sunday, July 17, 2022 10:25:18 AM

Please say NO to this, HELL NO!

Thank you

 From:
 c b

 To:
 AO

Subject: AO 2022-14: NO

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 10:53:26 AM

I am writing after reading an article about google's request, AO 2022-14, to no longer treat any political emails as spam. I do not wish to be bombarded with unwanted political emails from ANYONE. I seek out independent information about candidates, and I vote. I do not want to see a single political email. I do not appreciate getting political texts and calls, but I already can't stop those. They are intrusive. Don't add unrestricted emails.

Thank you

From: Nancy Russell
To: AO

Subject: AO. 2022-14

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 10:49:26 AM

I am a google user and I am strongly OPPOSED to allowing the proposed changes to Google email regarding political emails. I already get at least 100 unwanted political emails generating fear, spreading misinformation and asking for money everyday, not counting the ones that go to my spam folder. It is a total waste of my time to go through one by one and redirect each one to my folder. Please, NO CHANGES SHOULD BE ALLOWED.

Thanks Nancy

From: Andrea Boone

To: AO AO AO 2022-14

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 10:04:53 AM

Regarding AO 2022-14: NO! NO! Never! Do NOT allow political spam!!!! NO!

From:
To:
AO

Subject: AO2022-14

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 10:42:28 AM

To whom it may concern,

If what I'm hearing about letting/demanding google allow political spam into my inbox please register me as totally against it. Most inboxes are unwieldy presently without additional requirements to lend it more management time.

Thank you for your time

From: <u>Heidi Marcelo-Calero</u>

To: AO

Subject: Comment on AO 2022-14

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 11:06:55 AM

To Whom It May Concern:

I VEHEMENTLY oppose allowing political emails to hit my inbox. If I'm interested in donating, I will pursue it myself. It's not hard to google a candidate's page or a supporting PAC. That's all the "contribution" Google need do. Make the candidates pay for banner ads, or God-forbid, actually do something newsworthy.

Regards,

A fan of lean inboxes

From: <u>Dean Ricciardi</u>

To: <u>AO</u>

Subject: comment on AO 2022-14

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 10:30:25 AM

Hello,

I object strongly to Google's proposal regarding Gmail handling of messages from registered political committees.

The party affiliation or ideology of the sender is irrelevant; to me it's all garbage. I don't want these messages to be exempt from spam filtering.

Please do not allow Google to make this change.

Sincerely, Dean Ricciardi Reading, MA From: Beverly Dale

To: AO

Subject: comment on Google's request for opinion on plan to allow political messages

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 11:13:09 AM

I would like to add my comment on Google's plan that would open the doors for all political messages to come through my email and not be caught by the spam filters. I already get far too many such emails and to open the doors further would be simply intolerable. I am adamantly opposed to such a move - not just for my own comfort but I would also remind the PCC that it was through such political hateful emailing that an insurrection was mobilized and carried out on Jan 6 2021. The less access to indiscriminate political emailing, the better. Further, should this be approved, I would move all my emails to my yahoo account. Please do not approved such an idea.

Beverly Dale

Philadelphia, PA 19119

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My pronouns are she/her/hers. Please share yours.

I live and work on the occupied ancestral lands of the Lenni Lenape that was unceded by the fraudulent "Walking Purchase" deed of 1737.

Teaching sexuality and religion at Lancaster Theological Seminary Founder of the Incarnation Institute for Sex & Faith

Advancing Sexual Health for the Christian Client: Data & Dogma coauthored with Rachel Keller (Routledge)

www.beverlydale.org www.incarnationinstitute.org

"Wisdom calls in the streets and raises her voice in the public square." Prov 1:20



From: Paul Roberts

To:

 Subject:
 Comment on ref #AO 2022-14

 Date:
 Sunday, July 17, 2022 11:22:24 AM

RE: Google's request: AO 2022-14 to allow emails from political partys to bypass spam filters. Please vote NO!

I DO NOT WANT THIS TO BE ALLOWED!

Thank you, Paul Roberts From: Jim Luecke To:

AO
Do not allow google to bypass spam filter on political email
Sunday, July 17, 2022 11:09:07 AM Subject:

Date:

Do not give Google permission to relax spam filter for unsolicited political emails.

Please tell Google NO

James Luecke

From: Richard Fries

To: <u>AO</u>

Subject: Email Spam Changes

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 11:09:41 AM

Hello - I would like to let you know that I do not want any changes to spam email that will result in me getting political emails (or prohibit gmail from blocking these).

I have no need to get information from any political party or group.

Thank you

From: <u>Curtis Rystadt</u>

To: AO Subject: Emails

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 10:47:44 AM

Please no spam emails from politicians!!!!

That would be terrible!

I 100% against Google's request: "AO 2022-14

Thank you

Curtís Rystadt

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Curtis Rystadt

From: Georgia Christian

To: <u>AO</u>

Subject: Fwd: AO 2022-14

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 10:34:09 AM

Why would the FEC change Gmail SPAM rules to benefit politicians and their shady PACs to the detriment of users? NO NO ABSOLUTELY NOT!! Re SPAM, Gmail is an island of sanity. Just NO! Please reject this madness!! Georgia Christian

Sent from my iPhone

From:

To:

Subject: Gmail AO 2022-14

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 10:38:49 AM

ao@fec.gov, and including the reference number of Google's request: "AO 2022-14."

Please do not allow this request.

 From:
 ERaspo

 To:
 AO

 Subject:
 GMail Change: AO 2022-14

 Date:
 Sunday, July 17, 2022 11:07:38 AM

I am writing to vehemently vote against the subject change.

I do not want to have unrestricted political "SPAM" in my inbox from any political party. My Gmail account is not for such purpose and would be detrimental to my use.

 From:
 coleen0227

 To:
 AO

 Subject:
 Gmail

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 11:22:23 AM

I object to proposed changes to gmail AO-202214 Coleen Naoplitano

Sent via the Samsung Galaxy A52 5G, an AT&T 5G smartphone

From: Michele Bain
To: AO

Subject: gmail

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 10:24:38 AM

gmail seems to believe that all emails from all people belong to them. I will be getting off asas possible. Gmail has taken all our rights away. M Bain

From: Susan Toder
To: AO

Subject: Google AO 2022-14

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 11:55:43 AM

Thank you for extending the comment period on this.

I think this is a terrible idea. Not only is this a giant donation to political parties (of all stripes) but it means that every person with gmail will be inundated with (even more) junk email that will be near impossible to opt out of. It's bad enough already. This will create in gmail the equivalent of all those junk phone calls and texts that plague us on our phones. These types of things waste so much of our time and irritate people to no end.

I hope that the FEC will protect us from this kind of unnecessary invasion of junk mail.

Thank you, Susan Toder From: <u>Eve Himmelheber</u>

To: AC

Subject: Google AO 2022-14

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 11:51:43 AM

Dear FEC:

I do not support the changes proposed by Google. I don't want to be given content that should be filtered to spam folder - I want the freedom to filter out content that is objectionable/uninteresting.

This amounts to Google making a political contribution with each email placed in my inbox...times millions of users. In short, unfair, un-American propaganda pushing.

Please do NOT grant Google's AO 2022-14.

Sincerely,

Prof. Eve Himmelheber

From: <u>Miriam Land</u>

To: <u>AO</u>

Subject: Google Political Spam - AO 2022-14 or AO 2022-14

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 11:59:18 AM

Please do not allow political spam. All spam should be opt-in only. If I want spam from a political party, I should be willing to ask for it, not be bombarded by it. I get enough spam (real mail and email) as it is and I want it all gone.

Politicians and corporations believe they are better than normal people. Let people keep our voice and choices. If we don't want spam we should be able to filter it all out without having to wade through it. If you allow this, the spam should follow the same rules. If I return it, they should not be able to filter it out, and they should have to deal with it at a real address, one email at a time.

Dan Land Knoxville, TN From: David F Mishiwiec Sr

To: AO

Subject: Google ref #: AO 2022-14

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 10:28:19 AM

This is a horrible idea. It is akin to Google giving out political donations to any political entity sending emails. Individuals should not be forced to do anything to stem the receipt of unsolicited political emails, fundraising or otherwise.

Do not grant this request.

Sincerely,

David F Mishiwiec Sr

From: Mike Beard
To: AO

Subject:Google request AO 2022-14Date:Sunday, July 17, 2022 11:52:48 AM

This seems to be a terrible idea that would make political messages even more annoying and distasteful. It also is, in effect, contributing to the politicians and organizations that can use this, which is deplorable.

Also, in my opinion, any unsolicited email I get falls into the SPAM category. That I don't have to worry about this (currently, anyway) is one of the reasons I use Google email and might switch to something else.

Again, I'm opposed to this proposal. I think it's a terrible idea.

Thank you for taking my comments into consideration, Mike Beard

From: <u>Delora Brooks</u>

To: AO

 Subject:
 GOOGLE Request AO 2022-14

 Date:
 Sunday, July 17, 2022 11:51:30 AM

Please do not grant this request. I firmly believe this is not something most Americans want. Politicians already have unprecedented access to people through social and various other multimedia formats. Most of us already devote too much time to managing our email accounts and trying to avoid spam. Allowing political ads to bypass our spam filters could be viewed as yet another invasion of our privacy. Please take the time to consider whether this is actually good for the American people, or just good for politicians.

Thank you for your time and attention to this matter.

Delora M Brooks

From: <u>Frank Zugaro</u>

To: <u>AO</u>

 Subject:
 Google request AO 2022-14

 Date:
 Sunday, July 17, 2022 11:41:43 AM

This is a bad idea based completely on Google trying to avoid becoming out of favor with politicians instead of listening to what their non-political customer majority wants. If politicians don't listen to their constituents about email spam preferences and don't legislate appropriately against it, then it's ok for Google to ignore or put appropriate policies in place based on their customers' preferences also?

Yitzchak Bruce From:

To:

Subject:

AQ Google Request Sunday, July 17, 2022 10:57:34 AM Date:

AO 2022-14

Why obviously of course not.

 From:
 Colleen J

 To:
 AO

 Subject:
 Google request: AO 2022-14

 Date:
 Sunday, July 17, 2022 11:39:36 AM

Good morning,

I am writing to request that you DO NOT APPROVE Google's request to allow political email's to not be marked as spam and go directly into my inbox instead. We are already inundated with so much unwanted email we certainly do not need any additional. It takes a lot of time to delete these types of messages and get to what I call important to me emails. Don't take the right to send political emails automatically into spam away from us. If I want to know more about any issue I can research it on the internet or locate real telephone numbers for trusted sources to learn from.

Please do not allow this from Google.

Than you for your consideration. Jay and Colleen Johnson California From: Bron Skinner

To: AC

 Subject:
 Google Request: AO 2022-14

 Date:
 Sunday, July 17, 2022 10:33:09 AM

It is my understanding that Google is proposing a designation for political junk mail to circumvent being routed into my spam folder automatically. This is a colossally bad idea. I already get too much political email that I have to manually designate as spam. Anything that might increase it is not welcome.

PLEASE! SAY NO TO THIS PROPOSAL.

Blessings Bron Skinner From: <u>Deborah Cowman</u>

To: <u>AO</u>

Subject: Google spam law

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 11:33:51 AM

Please do not allow Google to allow political spam to bypass the spam filters. Google Request AO 2022-14

This would be s huge mistake. We are already overwhelmed with misinformation and biased political spam.

Thank you Deborah From: <u>Joshua Straton</u>

To: <u>AO</u>

Subject: Google"s Advisory Request AO 2022-14 **Date:** Sunday, July 17, 2022 11:00:20 AM

To Whom It May Concern & regarding Google's request AO 2022-14,

Please unequivocally reject, deny, and advise against allowance of political emails to be passed through spam filters. This change cannot, in any imaginable way, serve any consumers or voting constituents positively.

Best regards,

- Josh S.

David Russell From:

To: <u>AO</u>

Google"s request to include political SPAM - AO 2022-14." Sunday, July 17, 2022 10:43:01 AM Subject:

Date:

Please reject Google's request to include political ads. This amounts to support of or free ads for political party.

dmr, a Google user

From: Karen Oyler

To: AO

 Subject:
 Google"s request: "AO 2022-14."

 Date:
 Sunday, July 17, 2022 11:13:05 AM

Bad bad decision please don't do this.

ao@fec.gov, and including the reference number of Google's request: "AO 2022-14."

Thank you,

Karen Oyler

Kevin Beasley From:

To:

AO Google"s request: "AO 2022-14." Sunday, July 17, 2022 10:15:13 AM Subject: Date:

I am opposed to these changes.

Kevin Beasley

 From:
 Susan W.

 To:
 AO

 Subject:
 Google"s request: AO 2022-14

 Date:
 Sunday, July 17, 2022 11:35:16 AM

Do NOT allow political spam to come into my inbox!

Sincerely, Susan From: Bonnie Tuttle

To: AC

Subject:Googles request: AO2022-14Date:Sunday, July 17, 2022 11:08:40 AM

I absolutely oppose the proposed change to allow political messages to come thru in my email. Why should they be treated any differently than other unwanted and unrequested spam. NO to this idea!!!

 From:
 Jake Taft

 To:
 AO

 Subject:
 In Reference To AO 2022-14.

 Date:
 Sunday, July 17, 2022 10:32:14 AM

In reference to AO 2022-14.

Please do not grant this requested change by Google, this is NOT in the best interest of its users. No one wants this change.

Loyal gmail user.

Get Outlook for iOS

From: <u>David Highley</u>

To:

Subject: In reference to Googles AOR 2022-14

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 11:53:17 AM

I already get a fair amount of political spam that seeps in through text messages and emails. This is a very bad idea and why should politicians be given any more freebies than they already get. Please reject this idea.

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David Highley

From: <u>Lisa Werber</u>

To: AO

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 11:48:19 AM

Regarding reference AO 2022-14: Please do not change the spam rules to inundate me with spam political ads. I do not want them, and I don't know anyone who does. This is an awful idea that smacks of political biases by Google.

Thank you.

Lisa Werber

Denver, Colorado

From: <u>David Carsten</u>

To: <u>AO</u>

Subject: No more political email

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 10:47:03 AM

I already get 10 times more donation requests from Republicans than Democrats. Reject this request. The premise is ridiculous. I unsubscribe and it does not stop, maybe slows briefly. The spam filter is my only protection from even more. It is making gmail worse and worse.

"AO 2022-14."

Sent from my iPhone

 From:
 Jeff Mar

 To:
 AO

Subject: NO to AO 2022-14

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 10:32:13 AM

This proposal is a horrible idea and should be rejected.

I am capable of seeking my own political information and DO NOT WANT OR NEED additional political emails.

Please reject this proposal.

Jeff Mar

Jonas Braud From: To:

AO No to AO 2022-14 Subject:

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 11:12:40 AM

Say NO to AO 2022-14.

Thanks!

Jonas Braud

From:

To:

Subject: OPPOSE ON AO 2022-14

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 11:52:49 AM

I am in opposition to allowing politicians open access to SPAM individual accounts.

From: RODNEY MADISON

To:

 Subject:
 Opposition to Request AO 2022-14

 Date:
 Sunday, July 17, 2022 10:26:29 AM

I am opposed to Google's proposal to allow political advertising to bypass spam filters in Gmail. Individuals who wish to be in contact with a political party or candidate may voluntarily do so. There is no good reason to subject all Gmail users to a barrage of unwanted email. This is not in the public good. Given the amount of money spent by political campaigns and how easy it is to send mass emails, an approval of this proposal would inundate inboxes with unwanted messages that will negatively impact peoples personal and professional lives.

Please do not approve Google's request.

Rodney Madison

 From:
 Gary K

 To:
 AO

Subject:Re Googles request # AO 2022-14.Date:Sunday, July 17, 2022 10:38:55 AM

Allowing [G]oogle to prioritize political emails ... would basically mean that Google was providing a large political donation to every politician sending emails to Gmail addresses.

Please DO NOT grant this request.

From: <u>Luis Aponte</u>

To: <u>AO</u>

 Subject:
 Re Google"s request: "AO 2022-14."

 Date:
 Sunday, July 17, 2022 10:34:17 AM

Good day.

Regarding Google's request: "AO 2022-14." A hard NO. It is difficult enough to keep the inbox free of the massive amount of junk mail without adding this horrible idea.

Please Reject this.

Thank you.

From: Patrick Hagerty

To: <u>AO</u>

Subject: RE: AO 2022-14

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 10:55:05 AM

I am writing to voice my objection to the proposed change to Gmail spam filters. PLEASE DO NOT GRANT THIS REQUEST. Bulk, unsolicited emails, regaless of the source, should be blocked.

From: Dan Mowry
To: AO

Subject: Re: AO 2022-14

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 11:04:05 AM

Regarding Google's request to allow political emails to Gmail addresses to go through into inbox, avoiding the spam filtering process...

Strongly opposed! Absolutely, and I say, transparently biased and wrong.

From: Hank Johnson

To: AC

 Subject:
 Re: Google Request AO 2022-14.

 Date:
 Sunday, July 17, 2022 10:26:32 AM

In reference to Google's request: "AO 2022-14."

Please do not allow Google to include Political ads in Gmail accounts. I do not wish to receive ads in any way, shape, or form from any political party in my Gmail Email In Box. I would consider political ads Spam.

Please DO NOT ALLOW Google to do this.

Thank you.

Richard Johnson

Registered Voter

Mission, KS

From: Frank Zugaro

To: <u>AO</u>

 Subject:
 Re: Google request AO 2022-14

 Date:
 Sunday, July 17, 2022 11:36:25 AM

This is a bad idea based completely on Google trying to avoid becoming out of favor with politicians. Politicians don't listen to their constituents about email spam preferences and don't legislate appropriately against it, so, Google shouldn't listen or put appropriate policies in place based on their customers' preferences either?

From: <u>Sam Gonzales</u>

To: <u>AO</u>

Subject: Re: Reference number: AO 2022-14

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 11:45:49 AM

Hello,

Please don't allow this to happen. I don't want extraneous unsolicited email from political entities flooding my inbox.

From: <u>Jacob P.S. Lemmenes</u>

To: AC

Subject: Re: Request Reference Number 2022-14

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 11:53:27 AM

This message is in response to Google's proposed change to handling spam in the Gmail service. PLEASE DON'T GRANT THIS PURPOSAL. In fact if anything they should have to increase the ways to flag and catalog spam coming through. As it is I already have well over 10,000 unread email in which at least 2/3rds if not more could be tagged as spam. But are not as they come from a news source, retailer or political candidate or organization. Rather than backing off Google should be creating a additional categories of Spam such as Politacl Spam, News Spam, Weekly Ads Spam, Online Retailers Spam in which the user can then not only go in and set the desired time frame before all messages are auto cleared from the Spam catalog but also the max number of unread messages allowed to get through. Once a specified category's spam folder reaches the user set limit, Google should automatically send a response to that email's parient organization email every time an email is rejected thus spamming the spammer until the user is removed from the list or has cleared/updated the catalog settings and limits.

Cheers,

Jake Lemmene

Jacob P.S. Lemmenes

<u>Woody Sigmin</u> AΩ Ref "AO 2022-14 Sunday, July 17, 2022 11:37:33 AM From: To: Subject: Date:

I absolutely do not want ANY political emails hitting my gmail inbox!





From: Adam Leigh

To: AC

Subject: Ref: AO 2022-14 Political emails by passing spam filters

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 10:01:37 AM

Ref: AO 2022-14.

Sirs,

Though I have no interest in the machinations of your own country, it is worrying to read than a single action that concerns your local issues may now affect a global service.

I would ask therefore how you expect to filter outgoing email traffic in order to minimise alienating users in other countries?

Kindest regards,

Adam.

(A British Gmail user)



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Lynn Roberts From:

To:

Subject:

AO Reference # AO 2022-14 Sunday, July 17, 2022 11:26:52 AM Date:

Please stop this from happening. This is outrageous!

From: To:

Y2 AO Reference # AO 2022-14 Subject:

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 10:18:44 AM

In reference to Google allowing political mail to my Inbox.

I unanimously Reject this proposal.

Google is Out of Control and needs to be Regulated in a Big way, if it's not, already to late.

JΖ

Fort Lauderdale, FL.

From: Nancy O"Leary

To: <u>AO</u>

Subject: Reference #AO 2022-14

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 10:23:26 AM

As a Gmail customer I implore you NOT to pass this and strongly object to having political ads bypass spam by any party!

Sent from Yahoo Mail on Android

From:

To:

Subject: Reference AO 2022-14

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 11:52:22 AM

No. No. No. No. No. No. No. No. No.

No. No. No. No. No. No. No. No. No.

No. No. No. No. No. No. No. No. No.

No. No. No. No. No. No. No. No. No.

Did I say NO? YES, I said NO.

Kim Pollock From: To:

AO Reference AO 2022-14 Subject:

Sunday, July 17, 2022 10:32:41 AM Date:

Allowing Google to put political fundraising emails in my inbox is a terrible idea. Do not allow this!

Kim Pollock

From: <u>Joan Wozniak</u>

To: AO

Subject: Reference Google request #AO 2022-14

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 10:24:13 AM

Please do NOT approve this Google request #AO 2022-14. It is a terrible proposal. Politics has no place in my Google Inbox!

Thank you, Joan Wozniak Naperville, IL From: <u>Jamie Acarino</u>

To: AO

Subject: reference number of Google"s request: "AO 2022-14."

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 11:43:11 AM

To Whom it May Concern,

Allowing Google to bypass it's subscribers spam filter's got political adds should not be allowed.

Number 1. It goes against the very heart of free speech in that anyone can say anything within reason but you cannot force another person to read it if they choose not to.

Number 2. This is just a Money Grab by Google to monitize and MONITOR the political beliefs of it's client base. This has zero to do with the fairness of placing one political parties emails in the spam folder. The reason they may go into spam is because the Google subscriber probably placed similar emails into the spam folder or the inflammatory rhetoric triggered it.

Do not allow it!

J. Acarino

Sent from my T-Mobile 5G Device Get <u>Outlook for Android</u>
 From:
 Rebeca O

 To:
 AO

Subject: reference number of Google"s request: "AO 2022-14."

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 11:36:58 AM

I am vehemently against Google wanting to launch a pilot program under which emails from some FEC-registered political committees would "not be affected by forms of spam detection to which they would otherwise be subject." This is an extremely bad idea!

I have been a user utilizing google gmail for many years, and it always annoys me how many useless ads/spam emails I already receive that I have to manually spam or delete.

I do not want additional emails that are especially political. This will be a waste of my time as well as annoying which will make me take my personal business elsewhere.

I am against this completely. You will lose me as well as many current users b/c I will certainly share this with my family members as well asmany others.

Sincerely,

Rebeca Olvera

From: Chris S To: AO

Subject: Regarding AO 2022-14

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 11:46:17 AM

To Whom It May Concern,

Googles request (AO 2022-14) to allow political emails to bypass the spam filter should be rejected in its entirety. The last thing anyone wants is unfiltered political ads pouring into and cluttering up their inbox. Please do not approve this request. Not only is it wrong and intrusive, but it will set a horrible precedent for all the other major email providers. Thank you.

Cheers,

--Chris Pollio

Darrin Underwood From:

To:

Subject:

AO Regarding -AO 2022-14 Sunday, July 17, 2022 10:22:02 AM Date:

Please do not allow Google to do this. Terrible idea.

From: <u>Chris Bickle</u>

To: AO

Subject: STAY OUT OF MY MAIL!!

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 11:11:58 AM

As simple as I can put this is. Please do not send me anything from anyone of you uneducated small minded worthless subhumans. Your old asses are the fucking problem with the world today and should be completely and wholly replaced! Fuck off! Thank you sincerely

From: <u>Trina Bernard</u>

To: <u>AO</u>

Subject: Stop Political Emails

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 10:54:09 AM

As a long-time Google (Gmail) user and as a voting citizen in this country, I plead with you not to allow unsolicited political emails to be sent to Gmail users. There is no conceivable benefit for the user and, and poses security risks, abuses to privacy, and opens the door for further foreign influence in our country's elections.

From: Ronnie S. AO "AO 2022-14." To:

Subject:

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 12:17:40 PM

I do not vote and do not want to be burdened with removing these ads from my mailbox. I also believe this would amount to political contribution by Google.

 From:
 Norma OLson

 To:
 AO

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 12:08:14 PM

Do not grant this request. This is a terrible idea

Ginny Olson AO "AO2022-14" Sunday, July 17, 2022 12:28:52 PM From: To: Subject:

Date:

Do not grant this request. This is terrible idea.

From: <u>Leroy Strickland</u>

To: <u>AO</u> **Subject:** AO 2022

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 12:06:06 PM

Please don't approve or implement this request. Approving the referenced request is not in the interest of any average person. It is clearly only of interest and benefit to/of political parties. We already get inundated with spam. What they want is unfettered ability to slam us with pure spam. We DON'T need or want it. Thanks

Sent from my iPhone

Edward Ahearn From:

To:

Subject:

AO AO 2022-14 - bad idea Sunday, July 17, 2022 1:21:53 PM Date:

Terrible idea. More spam is bad. Don't go ahead w this.

Ed

From: <u>Lisa Sitkins</u>
To: <u>AO</u>

Subject: AO 2022-14 feedback

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 1:49:28 PM

I am opposed to Google's request to allow political emails to bypass the Gmail spam filter. If I want to hear from them, I'll either sign up to receive their emails or do research on my own. I don't need anything else cluttering up my email.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide input into this request.

Lisa Sitkins Michigan resident From: <u>Juanita Folmsbee</u>

To: <u>AO</u>

Subject: AO 2022-14 Google

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 1:08:44 PM

I am totally opposed to having political emails from any party coming to my gmail account. I would close the account and try Yahoo if that were to happen. Hopefully Yahoo would not follow on as well.

From: <u>Irene Burns</u>

To: <u>AO</u>

Subject: AO 2022-14 PLEASE say NO to Google"s political ad proposal

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 12:10:45 PM

It will be the end of gmail. Everyone will find another platform for their email. ALL of us will have to update the contact information of every former gmail user. What a neverending update to one's "contacts" that will be. Imagine the total mess when people on new platforms don't know how to access their political-in-box, aka gmail, messages.

Please say NO!

Thank you,

Irene Burns

From: cedric Ross
To: AO

Subject: AO 2022-14 request

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 1:39:06 PM

There is too much spam in the world already do not honor google request $AO\ 2022-14$

Sent from my iPad

From: Richard Drury
To: AO

Subject: AO 2022-14

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 2:06:01 PM

I am registering my opinion on the idea of "some" political ads skipping Gmail spam filters.

Do not allow this to happen, period!

You, the FEC, or any other entity cannot guarantee which ads will get filtered and which ones won't. This in turn can become a kind of political contribution to one party or the other, and also could benefit one candidate over another. This could even sway the direction that an election would go. No one entity should be allowed to have that much influence over any election.

V/r, Richard Drury

Only two defining forces have ever given their life for you The Lord Jesus Christ and the American Troops One died for your soul, the other for your freedom From: Sonia Rahman

To:

AO 2022-14 Subject:

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 1:54:33 PM

Please do not authorize political emails

by passing spam and coming through to my inbox. They need to continue being treated as they are - spam!!!

Thank you for taking this matter seriously.

Sonia

Sonia Rahman

Sent from my iPhone

 From:
 H. M. Johnson

 To:
 AO

 Subject:
 AO 2022-14

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 1:53:01 PM

I have read a brief article regarding Google's proposal for a pilot program in which FEC-registered political committees may be differentiated into groups that can send emails that are not automatically identified as spam, and groups whose emails will be automatically considered as spam.

I have a problem with unsolicited emails. I receive way to may as it is.

Whatever the decision is, I would suggest that email providers must limit the # of unsolicited emails that a person receives to a percentage (5%?) of the total personal emails that person receives.

I am also very concerned as to who gets to decide which political parties would be allowed to send unsolicited emails that must be manually deleted, and others cannot.

I would ask that you please consider these issues when reviewing and making a decision regarding this proposal.

Respectfully,

Helen Mary Johnson

Be careful how you interpret the world: it is like that.

ERICH HELLER

 From:
 eshelman k

 To:
 AO

 Subject:
 AO 2022-14

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 1:52:40 PM

I try to get / listen to both sides of any debate that strikes me to be debate worthy. This proposal is NOT one of them. SPAM email is Spam, no matter which political view point you favor.

Please keep Spam were it belongs. In the Spam folder!

Kurt Eshelman

Sent from my Galaxy

 From:
 Steve Hare

 To:
 AO

 Subject:
 AO 2022-14

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 1:52:33 PM

Please don't allow Google to spam us with political messages. This is just not a good idea.

From: <u>Stephen Nelson</u>

To: <u>AO</u>

Subject: AO 2022-14

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 1:50:28 PM

Regarding this proposal, I think this is a horrible idea. As an email user, I should be able to set my own spam filters, including anything related to politics, and social opinion. Political speech should not be granted any special status over any other type of free speech.

Sent from Mail for Windows

Art Winters From: AO 2022-14 To: Subject: Date:

Sunday, July 17, 2022 1:49:21 PM

Please reject Google's request.

From: RHONDA ZIVITZ

To: <u>AO</u> **Subject:** AO 2022-14

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 1:49:12 PM

By all means, NO! There is already enough spam that filters through. Once an entity has your email address you never get off the list. Spam filters are our hail mary, saving grace and pathway to peace of mind. I know how to find candidates of interest and how to sign up for their correspondence on my own.

I DO NOT want my mailbox inundated with political spam. Please reject this request in the interest of every American who has a life. Your cooperation is greatly appreciated.

Thank you, Rhonda Zivitz From: Paul de Anguera

To: <u>AO</u> **Subject:** AO 2022-14

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 1:48:27 PM

I object to Google's plan to exclude political mail from spam filtering. If I ever want to donate to a campaign I can easily "google" for it myself. It feels like harassment to continually get email that I don't want. And this change is a bad precedent. Soon we'll discover that Google wants to exclude bulk emails from its filtering for a fee paid by the advertisers. And then it will be time to change my email provider.

Paul de Anguera

 From:
 Rick

 To:
 AO

 Subject:
 AO 2022-14

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 1:45:53 PM

Totally against Googles plan to allow any political emails through. All should be treated as spam unless requested by person.

"Be excellent to each other"

Bill S Preston, Esq

Sent from my iPad Rick Zomper
 From:
 Carrie Sherrill

 To:
 AO

 Subject:
 AO 2022-14

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 1:45:47 PM

Politions will love this free stuff! I already get way too many political people begging for money and rarely my opinion NO to this change! !!

 From:
 Don Fannon

 To:
 AO

 Subject:
 AO 2022-14

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 1:44:22 PM

TWIMC,

NO.

Please DO NOT grant to any sender a "pass" to put whatever they please in my inbox.

Please DO NOT attempt to finesse the definition of which senders might, or might not, receive such a "pass". Treat ALL email the same.

DO require Google to put messages from ANY sender that meet Google Mail's existing, continually evolving, and. IMHO, very effective criteria for spam in the Spam folder, where it belongs.

If you have spare time on your hands, please address the ongoing debacle of spam phone calls and consider making "political" calls fall under the definition of spam!

Best regards.

From: Charles Erickson

To: <u>AO</u> **Subject:** AO 2022-14

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 1:43:54 PM

No! As a small business owner I am tired to my phone to communicate with customers. The addition of 5, 10, 15 or God knows how many during the election cycle (which is now 24/7/365) will seriously affect my time and energy spent on my business. I will begin the process to move my business out of Gmail and to a email server that allows received and view the mail that is important and valuable to me.

4 additional thoughts-

- 1- I highly doubt that there will be fact checkers involved and it will be a total SHIT show of misinformation.
- 2- if I were a spam company I would immediately open a political division that is registered and add my advertising to a small political blurb!
- 3- How many political groups will then include paid for advertising to be added to their email as a way of fundraising?
- 4- I use the Spam folder as a place to put things I have no interest in at the time. When I have an interest I research and find the information I want!

 From:
 D"Ann Mosler

 To:
 AO

 Cc:
 Allen Mosler

 Subject:
 AO 2022-14

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 1:43:28 PM

Please, Please, PLEASE, NO! DEFINITELY NOT!

America is drowning in useless political garbage!

My Gmail account is SACRED! I receive very little spam there because I have always been extremely careful about who I give it to. I have a separate junk address for that and your decision to allow political spam to enter the inbox of all Gmail users would leave us with NO CHOICE over our accounts content. We're not stupid, we know how to sigh up for political spam when we CHOOSE to WANT it there.

This is a RIDICULOUSLY HORRIBLE way to satisfy a political party's made up concern over fairness. We, THE PUBLIC, deserve and demand consideration for our own sanity and privacy.

PLEASE DO NOT DO THIS!!!

D'Ann Mosler

"Real freedom involves a sense of responsibility to others, obligation to the common good and respect for reason and the truth."

Chauncey Devega, senior politics writer for Salon; The distorted "freedom" of the truck convoys ... Published February 24, 2022

 From:
 Suntea Az

 To:
 AO

 Subject:
 AO 2022-14

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 1:39:48 PM

Reject this bad idea proposed by GMAIL.

Linda Rogers

 From:
 m hebert

 To:
 AO

 Subject:
 AO 2022-14

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 1:39:23 PM

Please do not allow additional junk emails that can't be easily filtered. Email is already getting watered down by too much junk as it is (as I'm sure you too can appreciate). I don't need the political world filling me up with their junk too (if I can prevent it). Thank you.

Mslcolm Hebert

From: Martha Feeback

To: <u>AO</u>

Subject: AO 2022-14

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 1:29:43 PM

PLEASE NOOOOOOOOO!!!!!!!!

It's bad enough we have to endure the divisive and ugly rhetoric all day every day in the news, on TV, Facebook, Instagram, Twitter, on street corners. Please do not add to the horrific political climate by making it all in our inboxes. The lies and deceit they'll go to to get \$\$\$ donations is absurd (all sides).

I'll go back to using my AOL email address instead of Gmail.

Martha Feeback

 From:
 Mark Basham

 To:
 AQ

 Subject:
 AO 2022-14

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 1:25:46 PM

Please firmly and unequivocally reject ... This is a terrible idea.

Anyone proposing this idea of political SPAM bypassing spam filters should be tied to a TV set with their eyes pried open and forced to watch hundreds of hours of 'my opponent is a scumbag' ads.

 From:
 Jean Balch

 To:
 AO

 Subject:
 AO 2022-14

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 1:23:39 PM

Do not approve the gmail change—horrible idea!

Lisa Moseley From: AO 2022-14 To:

Subject:

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 1:23:32 PM

Greeting,

I absolutely object to Google's plan to allow political SPAM to bypass spam filters! Please do not grant this request!

-Interested Gmail user

Sent from my iPhone

Michael Findler From:

To:

Subject:

AO 2022-14 Sunday, July 17, 2022 1:21:19 PM Date:

Definitely not. Spam is spam. Ao@fec.gov

Sent from my iPhone

From: <u>Joanne Burrows</u>

To: <u>AO</u>

Subject: AO 2022-14

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 1:19:52 PM

NO NO NO NO NO NO NO NO NO NO

I could go on. but seriously, Just NO.

Sent from my phone. Please excuse brevity and any typos

 From:
 Josh Zannoni

 To:
 AO

 Subject:
 AO 2022-14

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 1:17:27 PM

Do not allow political spam to bypass the spam folder. I already get enough ads in my everyday internet usage and do not need emails I didn't ask for. Please do not turn email into snail mail, where you are forced to get advertisements you never asked for.

George Rutledge From:

To:

AO 2022-14 Subject:

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 1:14:32 PM

Object!

Sent from my iPhone

From: <u>Jason Ventura</u>

To: AO

Subject: AO 2022-14

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 1:14:21 PM

Do not allow this political spam bypass. As a professional e-mail marketer, what this proposes is special treatment for some but not all and will result in 1,000's of lawsuits by large and small corporations on yours a googles behalf leading to 10's of millions in wasted dollars in legal defense all due to unfair treatment. Legally and morally, this goes against everything our democracy stands for.

From: Cariad Estella
To: AO

Subject: AO 2022-14

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 1:14:10 PM

Dear FEC,

I recently heard about Google's terrible plan to exempt political e-mails from their Spam folder. Please don't let them do this. The majority of my spam is from legitimate political organizations. They constantly whine for money, and it's extremely annoying. At least right now, most of them go to my Spam folder. With the change, my e-mail will become completely swamped with junk mail. Please stop this plan.

Sincerely,

Cariad J. Estella

Ken Metzbower From:

To:

AO 2022-14 Subject:

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 1:12:55 PM

No, if I want politics in my emails I will decide that. In no way would I support that it could arrive unsolicited.

Ken Metzbower

Ken Metzbower

keyvan khajehnouri From:

To:

AO 2022-14 Subject:

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 1:11:25 PM

Please, don't allow google to reroute political spam to my inbox.

Sincerely,

Keyvan Khajehnouri

Sent from my iPhone

Roberta Bedard From:

To:

AO 2022-14 Subject:

Sunday, July 17, 2022 1:04:55 PM Date:

Please, please do not approve this. I am Canadian and do not wish to wade through US politicized spam.

 From:
 Dotty White

 To:
 AO

 Subject:
 AO 2022-14

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 12:56:54 PM

NO NO NO

Google should not be deciding for me what add I want to read. That's my choice. We should not let them turn our private email into one big ad . If you allow this, what's next???

From: Reed Van Sickle

To: <u>AO</u> **Subject:** AO 2022-14

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 12:55:43 PM

Please do not allow this to be implemented. We (Gmail account holders) are THE ONLY ones who should be able to filter and control what we receive as email.

Thank you

Reed and Chrissy Van Sickle

 From:
 Myla Goldman

 To:
 AO

To: AO Subject: AO 2022-14

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 12:50:11 PM

This is the worst idea ever! DO NOT approve it.

Myla Goldman

 From:
 Mark T.

 To:
 AO

 Subject:
 AO 2022-14

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 12:50:10 PM

I am NOT in favor of this proposal of Google allowing emails of political nature no longer being automatically being earmarked as SPAM & being delivered to my inbox where I have to waste my life marking them as SPAM myself.

Thanks,

Mark

From: Kevin Barron
To: AO

Subject: AO 2022-14

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 12:47:52 PM

Dear FEC,

As an IT director for 30 years, I implore you to disapprove the proposal by Google to allow unsolicited political email to bypass the junk mail filters. Unsolicited is junk mail by definition, and impedes the ability to use email for normal communication. By flooding inboxes with unsolicited email, a bad precedent would be set, allowing more and more junk to render email more and more useless. Important, legitimate, scientific, business and personal communication is being drowned in a flood of unsolicited email, so the FEC must not bow to pressure to make matters worse.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide input on this issue, and I trust that you will stand up for honesty and integrity, rather than allowing corporate interest to outweigh publicity interest.

Sincerely, Kevin Barron

clayton finley From: AO 2022-14 To:

Subject:

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 12:44:07 PM

I like the spam folder way it ia currently set up. Please don't allow political ads to be sent to regular folders.

Thank You

From: Mary Meyerson

To:

AO 2022-14 Subject:

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 12:43:47 PM

Please leave gmail the way it is.

Marv Meyerson

From: Harold Vives- Capacetti

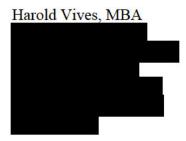
To: <u>AO</u>
Subject: AO 2022-14

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 12:43:20 PM

I disagree that political emails should have to be considered spam manually. Political emails is where it will start and before you know it other businesses will also be requesting their spam emails be sent directly to people's Gmail and then if they don't get the same treatment as politicians they will fight Google for being bias on which type of spam emails get better treatment over others. Then before you know it people will eventually look for a less spamming type of email portal over Gmail.

Politicians should not have better treatment on how they market themselves to the public over the rest of us. Point blank.

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 From:
 Dave Willis

 To:
 AO

 Subject:
 AO 2022-14

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 12:40:27 PM

Not in favor of this at all.

Just because one party complains, there is no reason to open the floodgates on this useless garbage.

Keep it all spam... All parties.

Regards, DW

From: Janet Reeder
To: AO

Subject: AO 2022-14

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 12:36:43 PM

To whom it may concern:

I do not want any political ad spam directed to my inbox. Please do not allow Google to make this idiotic change to how it handles political advertising.

From: <u>Marjaneh Gilpatrick</u>

To: <u>AO</u>

Subject: AO 2022-14

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 12:36:34 PM

Allowing [G]oogle to prioritize political emails ... would basically mean that Google was providing a large political donation to every politician sending emails to Gmail addresses.

Please do not allow this.

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Marjaneh Gilpatrick, Ed. D.

Not sure how to pronounce my name? Click here (open in Edge or Chrome)

From: Richard Brenner

To: <u>AO</u> **Subject:** AO 2022-14

Subject: AO 2022-14

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 12:33:09 PM

Do not, under any circumstances, adopt this change to spam determination. I don't want any political emails to show up in my Gmail inbox. The idea that I need to see the information (I use the word "information" very much "tongue in cheek") is insulting and completely unnecessary. Listen to users and not providers of the service.

From: <u>Chris McLaren</u>

To: <u>AO</u> **Subject:** AO 2022-14

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 12:32:57 PM

I've heard of a proposed change that would allow you guys to send me politically motivated emails that would bypass the normal spam filters and end up in my inbox. DO NOT GO THROUGH WITH THIS PROPOSAL, I WILL CHANGE MY EMAIL. Thanks, Chris

From: <u>Brenda Brinson</u>

To: <u>AO</u>

Subject: AO 2022-14

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 12:19:02 PM

Please reconsider. This will put undue pressure in having to delete the spam emails. Political emails should not be granted access to my inbox. I do not wish for this to go through. This is a business account.

From: <u>Linda Hopkins</u>

To: <u>AO</u> **Subject:** AO 2022-14

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 12:14:13 PM

Regarding Google's plan to allow political emails to go to everyone's inboxes, I vehemently oppose! ALL of such emails would be nothing but unsolicited SPAM and an invasion of my privacy, while at the same time a donation to their campaigns.

My email communications should be strictly for my private use!!

If this request by Google is allowed, I will immediately stop using their service.

Linda Hopkins

From: <u>trent anderson</u>

To: <u>AO</u>

Subject: AO 2022-14

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 12:13:33 PM

Dear FEC Commissioner Ellen L. Weintraub:

Please do not allow political fundraising emails to land in my regular Gmail in box. I currently receive tons of political emails requesting donations resulting from political surveys and Twitter participation. I am retired and do not enjoy spending time requesting to "Unsubscribe" to all of these emails. In the past I have received as many as 100+ such emails per day; so upon checking my email after a vacation, it takes hours to get to my important email notifications.

I setup my Gmail account for performing actual business, not sorting through junk mail. Let them use USPS to send their requests for donations. If Gmail allows an increase in such activity, I will need to say goodbye to Gmail and open a new email account to avoid this chaos.

Sincerely,

Theresa Lake

Sent from Mail for Windows

 From:
 Rob Samson

 To:
 AO

 Subject:
 AO 2022-14

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 12:07:40 PM

Under no circumstances do I want to be inundated with election spam from politicians that I do not support or align with. I will sign up for emails from candidates as I see fit, not at Gmail's or their political interests prerogative.

What next, government mandated propaganda sent straight to my inbox? Candidates able to fill newsletters with lies and provocations without any recourse as the sendee?

This is an absolutely terrible idea.

From: Melissa Nicholson

To:

AO 2022-14 Subject:

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 12:06:44 PM

This plan from Google is horrible. I have enough spam to deal with and I have to wonder how much money Google will be making from politicians advertisements.

Do not allow this to happen!

Melissa

 From:
 Laurel Smylie

 To:
 AO

 Subject:
 AO 2022-14

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 12:06:20 PM

Allowing Google to prioritize political emails ... would basically mean that Google was providing a large political donation to every politician sending emails to Gmail addresses. Please do not allow this to happen.

From: Joanne Svendsen

To:

AO 2022-14 Subject:

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 12:00:03 PM

Please firmly and unequivocally reject ... This is a terrible idea.

Joanne S.

From: don ashley
To: AO

Subject: AO 2022-14, NO, NO, NO

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 12:49:57 PM

Worst idea EVER. letting a corporation decide which spam to bypass spam walls is high unethical. Bias to any party, ideology or cause and not another is sanctioned garbage.

From: <u>Bradley Shutes</u>

To: <u>AO</u>

 Subject:
 AO 2022-14. Absolutely not!

 Date:
 Sunday, July 17, 2022 1:24:10 PM

Hello, shitty government. I vehemently detest spam, and I most definitely do not want political spam bring allowed to bypass my spam filter. Thus. I want you to do me a solid and deny Google's request $AO\ 2022-14$ to do som

Bradley Shutes

St. Louis MO 63146

 From:
 Matt Haynes

 To:
 AO

 Subject:
 AO 2022-14.

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 1:19:39 PM

This is to let you know. I disagree with this information being allowed to bypass the spam restrictions. Because I believe in the fair unbiased distribution of information. How is this any different than what the Russian government does? Using Pravda. Or other types of information. To control and coerce people to do what they want? This seems fully un-American? To me. Please. Rethink this plan.

Matt Haynes

From: Sam Villegas

To: AO

Cc: Sam Villegas; Elizabeth Hardin Villegas

Subject: AO 2022-14.

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 1:13:58 PM

Please vote no on this matter. We don't need spam in our primary in box. A very bad idea. Makes no sense at all.

Vote NO

Samuel Villegas

Andrew Small From: To:

AO 2022-14. Subject:

Sunday, July 17, 2022 12:34:42 PM Date:

Please reject more political ads in my inbox

Andrew small

From: Pamela Large

To:

AO 2022-14. Subject:

Sunday, July 17, 2022 1:38:18 PM Date:

Please do not agree to Google's request AO 2022-14.

Sent from Yahoo Mail on Android

 From:
 Evan Kutch

 To:
 AO

 Subject:
 Ao 2022-14

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 12:37:38 PM

Absolutely not....do not approve this insane request!!!!!

Evan kutch

 From:
 Peter Dean

 To:
 AO

 Subject:
 AO 2022-14

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 2:09:01 PM

To whom it may concern,

I straight oppose Google's plan to force political emails into my inbox. Unless I have subscribed to the emails they are spam and should be segregated as they are now.

I donate to political organizations and appreciate that most of their emails do not appear in my inbox. The proposed change is an invasion of my privacy.

Google should be strong enough to withstand the bullying that they are getting instead of this terrible solution.

Thank you,

Peter Dean

Peter Dean LinkedIn Best Small Landlord in America! SatisFacts 2015 From: <u>Stephanie Gonzales</u>

To:

Subject: AO 2022-14: Please don"t

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 12:55:49 PM

Please don't.

I have extreme anxiety which politics sets off.

Plus, why should I be subjected to something I never looked for, showed interest in, or agreed to? That is the very definition of SPAM.

Where are my rights as an individual? Why must I once again be subjected to the whims of corporations? Why do they get the right to blanket email the whole of creation? What is Google getting out of the deal? Are they paid per email address?

My mother is a fan of politics, but is elderly and easily manipulated. She doesn't have the money to donate. She barely has the money to eat.

Please don't.

Stephanie Gonzales

Sent from my Verizon, Samsung Galaxy smartphone Get <u>Outlook for Android</u> From: Cynthia Granade Granade

To: <u>AO</u>

Subject: AO 2022-15

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 12:30:40 PM

I am writing this email to oppose exempting political emails from spam.

The nature of the messages you want to force down our throats is corrosive and, ultimately, has only served to anger and divide us. Unless and until this nation can pull back together, I would like for you to avoid the universal pressure to engage in this divisive process. If I want information related to politics, I can very, very easily find it on my own. I DO NOT WANT MY EYEBALLS ASSAULTED by this poison every time I open my email messages.

Thank you in advance for your courage to resist this BS.

 From:
 Ron Howard

 To:
 AO

 Subject:
 AO2022-14

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 12:15:11 PM

Not just NO but HELL NO!!

Political end run to avoid the deletion feature WE WANT!!

Ronald H Howard

From: Dakota Storm
To: AO

Subject: AO2022-14

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 12:28:07 PM

Extremely bad idea, Spam has become a major pandemic, between multiple email addresses both personal and business, we get bombarded with emails for everything under the sun, we should only get emails for what we request or communicate with others Period!!!!!!! I strongly believe Spam filters need to be strengthened for both security and common sense reasons.

Bill Kennon From: To: Subject: Date:

AO AO-2022-14 Sunday, July 17, 2022 2:07:21 PM

I am opposed to receiving any and all political spam!

 From:
 Vicki Wallace

 To:
 AO

 Subject:
 Ao-2022-14

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 12:35:20 PM

I strenuously object to Google exempting politicL emails from spam filtering.. I detest every political add from every politician even the ones I vote for.

Not everything has to be in the realm of national decisions.

I will delete my Gmail address if this change occurs. Tell Google that. I won't be the only one. Vicki Wallace

From: <u>Michelle Tonge</u>

To: <u>AO</u>

Subject: AP 2022-14

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 12:32:10 PM

Under no circumstances is the idea of more spam acceptable. Just because the Republicans are crying wolf, doesn't mean that citizens should be forced to deal with this. Please disapprove.

Tommi Clark From:

<u>AO</u> To:

Change in gmail to allow political ad emails to bypass spam filtering... Sunday, July 17, 2022 12:53:45 PM Subject:

Date:

Hi,

The proposed change in gmail to allow political ad emails to bypass spam filtering is a horrible idea.

Tommi Clark

From: Patti Nelson

To: <u>AO</u>

Subject: Comment on spam detection

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 12:50:36 PM

Regarding Google's request: AO 2022-14

NO, I do not support this request under any circumstances.

It seems like opening a horrible pandora's box for political privilege and all its financial corruption.

NO NO NO

P. Nelson

Fabrizio Rizzo From:

To:

AO Do not approve AO 2022-14 Sunday, July 17, 2022 2:09:54 PM Subject: Date:

Do not approve AO 2022-14

From: Paula Lyszyk

To:

AO
Do not exempt political emails from spam Subject: Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 1:44:27 PM

Google's request: "A0 2022-14".

I do not want political emails sent to my email instead of going to spam

 From:
 Ardor Bard

 To:
 AO

Subject: Feedback on Google Change Request AO 2022-14

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 12:21:38 PM

To whom it may concern,

As an informed senior citizen and lifelong voter who has witnessed the hijacking of American democracy by wealthy individuals and corporations (thanks to the execrable Citizens United ruling from SCOTUS), I am vigorously opposed to Google's request to exempt political emails from GMAIL spam filters. Allowing political campaigns, PACs, and individual actors, to flood every GMAIL inbox with repetive, deceptive, misleading, aggressive, and potentially dangerous (e.g., virus link plagued) emails, would be a huge financial gift to Google and well funded political campaigns, but a crushing burden to individuals, consumers, and small businesses, that use GMAIL for email communication. Please reject Google's proposal.

Thank you, Robert Sadin Portland, Oregon
 From:
 john wade

 To:
 AO

Subject: FW: AO 2022-14

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 12:17:51 PM

Sent from Mail for Windows

From: John Wade

Sent: Sunday, July 17, 2022 8:45 AM

To: ao@fec.comgov Subject: AO 2022-14

NO!!!!!!!!!!!

 From:
 RichK

 To:
 AO

Subject: Google AO 2022-14

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 1:22:38 PM

Please do not entertain this terrible idea. It is clearly a bid by a political faction to force its views on an unwilling majority of the public.

 From:
 Joan Wall

 To:
 AO

Subject:Google Political SPAM. AO 2022-14Date:Sunday, July 17, 2022 1:21:11 PM

Please do NOT allow Google to send political JUNK Mail to my regular email account. I have 4 accounts and this would make my life miserable. I vote NO, NO, a thousand times NO. This is truly a terrible idea.

Joan Wall

Sent from my iPad

 From:
 K Bhaskar

 To:
 AO

Subject:Google request AO 2022-14Date:Sunday, July 17, 2022 12:05:33 PM

Gmail does a nice job of identifying spam. I do not want political e-mails to come directly to my Inbox. Thank you.

K.S. Bhaskar Malvern, Pa

(which actually is a Gmail Inbox)

From: Robert McLaws

To: <u>AO</u>

 Subject:
 Google request AO 2022-14

 Date:
 Sunday, July 17, 2022 1:21:02 PM

Please make Google put political emails in a separate category, just like they do for shopping, social, and forums emails. They should not go to spam, but they should be segregated away from the main inbox, and users should be able to bulk remove them just like you can with spam.

Thanks!

From: <u>Judy Treskovich</u>

To: <u>AO</u>

Subject: Google's AO 2022~14

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 1:43:51 PM

I am totally opposed to Google's request to allow political messages to be sent to my email address. I certainly hope that their request will be denied.

Sent from my iPad

From: Karine Crow
To: AO

Subject: Google"s request: "AO 2022-14." **Date:** Sunday, July 17, 2022 1:20:13 PM

Please don't grant request.

It's bad enough to constantly field phone calls and texts inspite of the state and federal "do not call list" which is ignored and blocking them and now more unsolicited emails! It's bad enough already.

Frankly it should be the user that seeks information not wasting one's time having to mark spam and delete.

If one is limited in how much space one can have and would be charged for overage-- they might have to give up email because unsolicited solicitors have abused email space creating coverage of space usage.

 From:
 Larry X

 To:
 AO

 Subject:
 Google"s request: "AO 2022-14."

 Date:
 Sunday, July 17, 2022 12:44:34 PM

Please reject this request as a horrible intrusion on our personal email activity. Thanks

Sent from my iPhone

From: <u>Janine Upchurch</u>

To: AC

Subject: Google"s request: "AO 2022-14." **Date:** Sunday, July 17, 2022 1:35:11 PM

Concerning Googles request "AO 2022-14."

No.No.No. I completely disagree with this plan. As another user so eloquently said,

"Allowing Google to prioritize political emails would basically mear that Google was providing a large political donation to every politician sending emails to Gmail addresses."

Do not allow our private emails to be used as a free political marketing tool.

It would be disruptive and time consuming to deal with all of those unwanted and unsolicited emails
 From:
 RS Adams

 To:
 AO

Subject: Google"s request: AO 2022-14 - RSA comments

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 1:51:45 PM

DO NOT EXEMPT POLITICAL EMAILS FROM AUTOMATIC SPAM. They belong in spam. We can discern which we want to read or keep.

From: <u>Don Weaver</u>

To: AO

 Subject:
 Google"s request: AO 2022-14

 Date:
 Sunday, July 17, 2022 1:40:31 PM

Please deny this ill-conceived request.

In this time of rampant misinformation and organized political disinformation, the absolute last thing American voters should be subjected to is a flood of unsolicited political spam emails.

Thank you, Don Weaver From: Shay Chirinos

To: AO

 Subject:
 In reference to AO 2022-14."

 Date:
 Sunday, July 17, 2022 12:52:26 PM

To whom it may concern, I vehemently oppose this new law or whatever you're trying to do with this. No one in their right mind wants more spam mail. Especially spam mail from politicians. This is placing an undue burden on your consumer to appease a small portion of people who feel that they are being slighted even though they are being treated equally. This roughly amounts to you being a tool for the politicians in the world. At this point, if this is done I will cancel all of my Google services that I can. I understand that I am one person and that it probably means nothing to you, but this is a law that should not be passed this is a law that is foul this is a law that no one wants and you're only doing it to keep whatever politicians you have a good graces. I staunchly opposed this.

Sent from my iPhone

From: Cathy and Hans

To:

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 12:27:50 PM

Re: Google request: AO 2022-14

For the record.

I object to this request by Google to change how Gmail treats correspondence. I believe it is an invasion of my privacy.

Hans Grim

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Hans Grim

From: George Ayling

To: AO

Subject: NO POLITICAL EMAILS TO GMAIL

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 12:06:38 PM

Want to voice my opinion on how bad of an idea it is to allow any political ads to come to my Gmail account. I don't care if they're democratic or Republican or independent I do not want those ads to be sent and if they are they should be considered spam and sent to my spam folder.

George W Ayling Designated Managing Broker/Owner

Licensed Florida / Illinois / Indiana

Wire Fraud is Real. Before wiring any money, call the intended recipient at a number you know is valid to confirm the instructions. Additionally, please note that the sender does not have authority to bind a party to a real estate contract via written or verbal communication.

Get BlueMail for Android

From: Don Hissam To:

AO No to Google"s request: "AO 2022-14." Sunday, July 17, 2022 12:39:50 PM Subject: Date:

My Opinion on this request:

NO!!

From: Pat Weber Sones

To:

Subject: Objection to Gmail Spam Change: AO 2022-14

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 12:41:11 PM

To the FEC

RE: Google Proposal AO 2022-14

I am absolutely opposed to the proposal by Google to allow political spam to invade users' primary Gmail inbox. This is a crass abuse of power by a tech company assaulting our privacy rights and political associations.

I am appalled the FEC is even considering allowing political spam to flow freely through the Gmail platform.

AO 2022-14 is an atrocious request for a plan that should be thoroughly and firmly rejected, and relegated to the boneyard of Bad Ideas.

Thank you for taking action to veto this inconceivably terrible proposal.

Sincerely,

-Pat Sones

Pat Weber Sones

Current Gmail user, but not one in a future with AO 2022-14

From: Alec Rebello

To: AC

Subject:Objection to Google request AO 2022-14Date:Sunday, July 17, 2022 12:34:37 PM

I wanted to express my opinion that I object to Google's proposal to exempt political emails from spam. I do not want my gmail account to start receiving these.

Alec Rebello

From: Paul Boudreau

To: AO

 Subject:
 Political SPAM - AO 2022-14

 Date:
 Sunday, July 17, 2022 12:03:28 PM

In no way should political messaging be excluded from SPAM filtering. This would significantly increase the effort and business cost to filter non business related messaging and protect organizations from hackers. Businesses are doing everything we can to stay ahead of hackers. Do not make this more onerous us.

Paul Boudreau Director of Information Technology Chicago Plumbers U.A. Local 130 From: Beverly Feinberg

To: <u>AO</u>

Subject: RE # AO 2022-14

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 12:33:47 PM

Hi,

I am vehemently against allowing Google or any other email provider to send me political ads directly to my inbox. It's all SPAM since it is unsolicited. Please do not allow them to do this. Thank you.

Beverly Feinberg

From: Susan Mulligan

To:

Subject: Re: AO 2022-14 - Opposition to Google request to remove spam filter from political emails

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 1:17:33 PM

Please do not allow Gmail to change its spam filter to allow political emails through.

American politics is increasingly corrosive to our society, and enabling further spread of messages and solicitations from politicians will only make things worse. As with other advertisers, these emails serve only the interests of the senders, not of the recipients.

My elderly mother receives emails from various senders with malign or self-serving intent. And sometimes she responds or sends money when it is not in her interest to do so. Sometimes the emails worry her. She doesn't need extra solicitations to (1) take her hard-earned cash or (2) make her confused or worried about issues raised by politicians.

Thank you for the consideration.

Susan Mulligan

From: <u>Christopher Morehouse</u>

To:

Subject: Re: AO 2022-14

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 1:44:10 PM

Good afternoon. Please, please, please do not let gmail allow political emails to bypass spam filters. I'm already inundated with such emails that seem to always ignore my unsubscribe request. Thank you.

Chris Morehouse Cincinnati, Ohio From: Steve Disenhof (gmail)

To: AO

Subject: RE: AO 2022-14

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 12:29:53 PM

I am absolutely appalled at this request from Google to prioritize political mail and allow it to bypass SPAM filters.

While I have other choices for mail – Outlook, Comcast, etc., - allowing Google to do this would be a major mistake. (And yes, while I would need to keep a gmail address to utilize some services, I will absolutely transfer all of my vendor/private email to other email addresses that are not Google. But it will be painful.)

I understand that the FEC is receiving virtually 100% negative feedback regarding this proposal. I urge the FEC to LISTEN to us consumers and say 'NO' to Google.

-sd

Steve Disenhof

 From:
 Bruce Kahn

 To:
 AO

 Subject:
 Re: AO 2022-14

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 12:59:50 PM

No No No No No No No

This is unacceptable and inappropriate to allow unfettered Spam from political candidates.

Thank you.

 From:
 Alan Garcia

 To:
 AO

Subject: Re: AO 2022-14

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 12:49:26 PM

ao@fec.gov

Re: AO 2022-14

To Whom it May Concern:

Please firmly and unequivocally reject Google's proposal, AO 2022-14, regarding delivery of political emails. It is a terrible idea.

Allowing Google to prioritize political emails would basically mean that Google was providing a large political donation to every politician sending emails to Gmail addresses.

Respectfully, Alan García Portland, OR
 From:
 K W

 To:
 AO

Subject: Re: AO 2022-14

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 12:28:21 PM

To put it simply, I hate this proposal. Messages from any political party do not belong in my email.

If this proposal becomes reality, I will stop using gmail.

Say NO to AO 2022-14.

Kathryn Weller long-time gmail user

From: <u>samsole</u>

To: AO; google@gmail.com

 Subject:
 RE: AO 2022-14. Just don"t please

 Date:
 Sunday, July 17, 2022 12:24:25 PM

Dear FEC, I am not sure why anyone thought letting unsolicited emails, in this day of misinformation, be delivered to people's inbox was a good idea.. Such a person should be tarred, feathered and shipped to Russia where these kinds of things are a norm. Please categorically reject this.

@google, shame on you for even entertaining this for a second.

Yours, fuckin mad user!

 From:
 Diana Hart

 To:
 AO

Subject: RE: AO 2022-14

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 1:08:08 PM

Dear Madam or Sir,

I unequivocally oppose the request to send political emails directly into gmail users' inboxes, bypassing spam. This constitutes donations on the part of gmail to political parties. It is political advertising.

Speaking for myself, and most likely a majority of other gmail users, it will have no effect whatsoever upon my vote or political leanings. I will immediately send each and every political email...no matter how long it takes...to SPAM!!!

The only thing you can hope to achieve by enacting this measure is extreme irritation and a mass exodus from gmail. If that is what you want - to lose gmail users - well, then...

Most seriously, Diana Hart From: chris kidder
To: AO

Subject: Re: AO 2022-14

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 1:47:51 PM

This proposal is a truly terrible idea. If you put it up for a vote, the most "Yes" votes you could possibly get would be 535 votes, the current members of congress. Everyone else who is sane, would vote "No" to this.

From: <u>Hank Collier</u>

To: <u>AO</u>

 Subject:
 Re: Gmail proposal AO 2022-14

 Date:
 Sunday, July 17, 2022 12:18:58 PM

Re: AO 2022-14

I understand you want to bypass spam and send constant political ads to Gmail holders.

PLEASE DO NOT APPROVE THIS.

We're already harangued with unrelenting political ads on television. There's no reason to harass Gmail holders with the same. I get enough unwanted ads now.

THIS WOULD BE UNBEARABLE. PLEASE NO, NO, NO.

Henry Collier

From: Wes Church

To: AO

 Subject:
 re: Google request AO 2022-14.

 Date:
 Sunday, July 17, 2022 1:53:03 PM

As I consider all political emails as spam, I object to the idea of exempting any such emails from spam detection, even for a pilot program. Please do not approve Google's request.

Regards, Wes Church

So, never be afraid. Never be afraid to raise your voice for honesty and truth and compassion, against injustice and lying and greed.

William Faulkner
1951 commencement speech

From: <u>Hugo Gonzalez</u>

To: <u>AO</u>

 Subject:
 RE: Google"s request: "AO 2022-14."

 Date:
 Sunday, July 17, 2022 12:51:54 PM

To Whom it May Concern,

Regarding Googles request to exempt political emails from going to spam. Please NO. Do not allow Googles request.

I do not agree with Googles plan to start exempting some political emails in Gmail from spam.

Thank you,

Hugo

Sent from my iPhone

 From:
 Tom Jore

 To:
 AO

Subject: Ref#AO 2022 - 14

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 12:07:16 PM

Allowing Google to prioritize political emails... would basically mean that Google was providing a large political donation to every politician sending Gmail addresses. I am against this policy that Google is wanting to change. Continue to send junk mail to Spam folder, not Inbox folder.

Thank you.

From: imkeiki
To: AO

Subject: Reference AO 2022-14

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 1:59:01 PM

Giving my email address to politicians is outrageous. Pichai has a nerve going to the Republicans to pitch his idea. If this is allowed, I'm done with gmail. This smells bad - using us as pawns for political gain. It's time for google to be investigated.

From: <u>christine.becken</u>

To: AC

 Subject:
 Reference number AO 2022-14

 Date:
 Sunday, July 17, 2022 1:57:22 PM

Please vote NO on the Google request to launch a pilot program under which emails from some FEC-registered political committees would not be affected by forms of spam detection to which they would otherwise be subject.

I value the strength of my spam filter and do not want to be forced to manually mark a slew of unsolicited political emails as spam. If anything, I would prefer a stronger spam filter.

Christine Becken Registered voter and long time Gmail user

Ronnie Kon From: To: <u>AO</u>

Subject:

Regarding AO 2022-14 Sunday, July 17, 2022 12:50:16 PM Date:

Absolutely not. Spam is spam, and PACs are some of the worst spammers of all.

Ronnie Kon

From: Randy Gresham

To: AO

Subject: Reject AO 2022-14

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 1:35:58 PM

This is a terrible idea? Please firmly and unequivocally reject AO 2022-14

Lotteries – for those who can't do the math.

From: To:

Subject: Request: "AO 2022-14." Google Change to Gmail that will change spam.

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 1:21:02 PM

I am apposed to allowing more unsolicited messages into email.

I am apposed to allowing them into my in box.

From: Brett Rhoades <

Sent: Sunday, July 17, 2022 11:49 AM

To: Brett Rhoades <

Subject: Article: Google Revealed Plans for a Big Change to Gmail That Almost Nobody Wants. You

Have 19 Days to Object

If you'd like to register your opinion, you can do so by sending an email to ao@fec.gov, and including the reference number of Google's request: "AO 2022-14."

Virtually every public comment opposed Google's idea for the change to how Gmail. How do you feel about spam? Would you like to get more unsolicited messages in your email? Also, would you want them land directly in your email inbox, instead of being routed to your spam folder? Hold that thought....

View the article.

https://flip.it/xxOKAW

View the article + more on Flipboard.

https://flip.it/laWdg2

Find your favorite topics on Flipboard. Download here.

https://flip.it/q2c-.t

 From:
 Scott Latta

 To:
 AO

 Subject:
 Spam

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 1:11:51 PM

Regarding AO 2022-14:

Do not allow it!!!!!!

Thanks - Scott

Sent from my iPhone

From:

David Griffiths < Sunday, July 17, 2022 12:17 PM Sent:

To: ΑO

ao@fec.gov Google request = no. Subject:

Please reject to Google's request: "AO 2022-14."

Thnxs David Griffiths

Sent from AT&T Yahoo Mail on Android

From: Jackie To:

AO "AO 2022-14." Subject:

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 9:24:57 AM

I am totally opposed to these changes to gmail. My email account is already swamped with political email. Please don't implement these changes!

Jackie Earle- Cruickshanks

Sent from my iPhone

From: michael whitley

To:

AO "AO 2022-14." Subject:

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 6:28:08 AM

Regarding "AO 2022-14."

Anyone proposing this idea of political SPAM bypassing spam filters should be tied to a TV set with their eyes pried open and forced to watch hundreds of hours of 'my opponent is a scumbag' ads.

From: Robert Patton

To:

AO 2022-14 Gmail Subject:

Sunday, July 17, 2022 8:10:05 AM Date:

Ref: 2022-14, I do oppose the Google changes to Gmail they have requested. Please do not agree with their request to the changes requested.

Thx,

Robert Patton

 From:
 Lea Antzis

 To:
 AO

 Subject:
 2022-14

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 5:05:28 AM

I object to this forced emails. If Gmail is allowed to do this, I will be changing my email account and stop using Google

From: Tony Brauda

To: <u>AO</u>
Subject: AO 2022

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 9:14:51 AM

Please do not allow this to proceed and allow these emails to be treated as anything but spam.

Sent from my iPhone

From: Daniel Moore

To: <u>AO</u>

Subject:AO 2022-14 - Political Spam ClassificationDate:Sunday, July 17, 2022 11:17:28 AM

Political ads are the most fundamental form of spam. No advertising is more despised or unwanted. Giving opinion to the contrary is a cowardly submission. Also, the amount of lost time resulting from flooding America's inboxes is unacceptable.

Do the right thing. Don't make me read emails about how Nancy Pelosi is a shapeshifting demon from hell just because it came from a "political organization".

Dan Moore

From: Peter Way To:

AO 2022-14 feedback Subject:

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 6:43:46 AM

Gmail is wonderful for one reason only: spam elimination.

Please do not allow political ads to bypass spam filters. If you do, all kinds of special interests will cry foul and want an exception as well.

No thanks, Peter Way

From: Mary Sheehan

To: <u>AO</u>

Subject:AO 2022-14 Google RequestDate:Sunday, July 17, 2022 9:13:56 AM

Please do not grant Google's request to allow political ads to bypass SPAM filters.

This is a very bad idea thought up by politicians who say poisonous and untrue things about their opponents which I and anybody I know has no desire to be forcibly exposed to.

Mary Sheehan

From: sjbanes To:

AO 2022-14 Google request Sunday, July 17, 2022 11:09:37 AM Subject: Date:

Absolutely not. I don't need any more emails from politicians!

Sent via the Samsung Galaxy S10, an AT&T 5G Evolution capable smartphone

Ryan C From: To:

AO 2022-14 google request Subject: Sunday, July 17, 2022 11:46:09 AM Date:

Dear FEC,

Do you believe it is a wise decision to let one of the largest corporations on earth be more involved in our already disastrous political machine?

Im a firm believer that it's not, and I think you should deny Googles request to be more involved in American politics.

AO 2022-14

- Ryan C

From: Carolyn Salter, MD

To: AC

Subject: AO 2022-14 Google Spam policy **Date:** Sunday, July 17, 2022 9:52:18 AM

I am a political contributor. I do not want any unsolicited political contribution emails. I am already inundated with them. Do not implement this policy. Please.

Carolyn Salter MD 2020 congression candidate

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Sent from Gmail Mobile

From: Barbara Hopkins

To:

 Subject:
 AO 2022-14 Google"s request

 Date:
 Sunday, July 17, 2022 8:02:20 AM

To Whom it May Concern,

The inability of not being able to send political ads to spam will contribute to the inefficiency of every worker in America. It is a burden and waste of time to have to deal with any unwanted messages. Political ads are evidenced to be the WORST, because they are relentless, from multiple sources, and overpopulate the inbox on a daily basis pushing important emails down the list. Please do not bog down the work load of every inbox-using person and instead promote a competitive and efficient workplace.

I have never opened a political email. I report everyone as spam.

Thank you for your time.

Barbara Hopkins North Carolina

mike stuff From: To:

AO 2022-14 No! Subject:

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 7:14:51 AM

Absolutely not, do not allow political parties or political email to bypass a spam folder.

From: Sherry Jones

To:

Subject: AO 2022-14 Political ads bypassing spam filters - No

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 10:09:28 AM

Under no circumstances should political ads be exempt from spam filters. This is Google's corporate responsibility to distribute political ads fairly, not put the burden on the public and regulators. They want an easy way out of their responsibility. I am sure that somewhere this is also tied to increased revenue for Google. Say no.

Dave Ahlman From:

To:

AO 2022-14 Subject:

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 4:31:12 AM

Greetings,

Regarding proposal AO 2022-14, please REJECT this request.

Thank you,

Dave Ahlman

From: Angie AO 2022-14 To:

Subject: Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 5:31:54 AM

No, just no. PLEASE DO NOT make this change.

From: Chris Birdsong

To:

AO 2022-14 Subject:

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 5:41:36 AM

Unsolicited propaganda is not wanted and not requested. Please, please, please continue to keep this trash out of my inbox.

Thank you, Chris Birdsong From: Steve Madden

To: <u>AO</u>

Subject: AO 2022-14

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 5:41:54 AM

With regard to Google's request for a change in how emails from political candidates and the entities that support them are classified, one only need look at the sheer volume of political ads in media to understand that a change in Google's methods would be an overwhelmingly bad idea. Please do not agree to this.

Sincerely, Steve Madden Burlington, VT

Sue Zander From: AO 2022-14 To:

Subject:

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 5:52:43 AM

Referencing AO 2022-14

Absolutely not! Fundraising email is spam plain and simple!

Susan Zander

From: Steve Bidinger

To:

AO AO 2022-14 Subject:

Sunday, July 17, 2022 6:01:27 AM Date:

Please do not allow poltical spam.

Steve Bidinger

Skai Beauty

Sent from my iPhone

From: Cohn Barnes

To:

AO 2022-14 Subject:

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 6:07:29 AM

Unsolicited political emails are the same as anything other spam. I didn't request it. I don't want it. And I want my email service provider to block it as the spam it is. It has nothing to do with bias.

 From:
 Bryan Finn

 To:
 AO

 Subject:
 AO 2022-14

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 6:11:15 AM

Please reject AO 2022-14. It is a terrible idea which will harm the end users. Sincerely, Bryan Finn

 From:
 Ann Smith

 To:
 AO

 Subject:
 AO 2022-14

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 6:31:22 AM

All political emails should be spam. I wonder who would want exceptions to political email spam? Corrupt politicians and the big businesses profiting from their corruption? Will the greed never end? Keep politics out of my inhox

From: To: Subject: Date:	Mandy <u>AO</u> AO 2022-14 Sunday, July 17, 2022 6:50:19 AM
Allowing political	spam to bypass spam filters is a politically motivated con. Do NOT allow this happen please.
Mandy Bingaman	

From: Mark Smith AO 2022-14 To:

Subject:

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 7:03:56 AM

I am absolutely opposed to this. I do not want my email in box inundated with unsolicited political emails. PERIOD!

Tim Hill From: AO 2022-14 To:

Subject:

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 7:11:59 AM

I urge you to reject this request.

Timothy Hill MN, 55077

From: Patrick Kelly To: AO

Subject: AO 2022-14

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 7:46:41 AM

No. No. A thousand times no! Why in the world would you allow Google to give what basically amounts to massive political donations to politicians? Unchecked!?

And Republicans aren't being sent to the spam folder, believe me! I have been a registered Democrat my entire life (I'm 66) and I am very politically active. I am inundated with fund raising email for GOP candidates every day; people I would never vote for in a million years. Republicans already have been a green light to pick their own voters thanks to gerrymandering. Why would you even consider such an outrageous and intrusive idea as this?

Please deny this request. Thank you.

Patrick Kelly Akron, OH

James Williams From:

To:

AO 2022-14 Subject:

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 7:49:41 AM

Please do not grant Google's request. This would be a step backwards for all gmail users who will be bombarded with unwanted emails.

 From:
 Kevin Moe

 To:
 AO

 Subject:
 AO 2022-14

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 7:50:36 AM

Seriously? I already get too much email. Stop listening to whining politicians and start listening to your customers.

From: Jim Gottlieb
To: AO

Subject: AO 2022-14

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 7:50:57 AM

To Whom It May Concern,

The purpose of this email is to voice OBJECTION to the proposal to permit Google to allow email with political content from FEC approved candidates to bypass spam/junk mail controls. This is as bad as allowing political calls/texts to bypass DNC filters. Is anybody in Washington listening to the people? Do they care? This proposal is insanity.

Regards,

Jim Gottlieb

From: Beit Simcha To: AO

Subject: AO 2022-14

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 8:06:55 AM

reference number of Google's request: "AO 2022-14."

few comments below:

- * "Please firmly and unequivocally reject ... This is a terrible idea."
- * "Absolutely no. A thousand times no."

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* "Do. Not. Grant. This. Request."

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* "Anyone proposing this idea of political SPAM bypassing spam filters should be tied to a TV set with their eyes pried open and forced to watch hundreds of hours of 'my opponent is a scumbag' ads."

* "Allowing [G]oogle to prioritize political emails ... would basically mean that Google was providing a large political donation to every politician sending emails to Gmail addresses."

I will stop voting all together if you allow this.

 From:
 Bob Rossa

 To:
 AO

 Subject:
 AO 2022-14

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 8:07:55 AM

This is a horrible idea.

If political groups want their email to stay out of spam folders they could do so by not making the emails look like spam.

Political crap shouldn't be harder to get rid of than other sorts of crap Honestly this is truly dangerous

From: Ross Folkers

To: <u>AO</u>

Subject: AO 2022-14

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 8:08:37 AM

reference number of Google's request: "AO 2022-14."

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* "Allowing [G]oogle to prioritize political emails ... would basically mean that Google was providing a large political donation to every politician sending emails to Gmail addresses."

I will stop voting all together if you allow this.

From: Stacey Hittman

To:

AO 2022-14 Subject:

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 8:15:04 AM

Please do not force me to change the email address I have had for over 20 years because of political spam. I don't want to see any, period.

From: John Delgado

To: <u>AO</u>

Subject: AO 2022-14

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 8:21:55 AM

Please Do Not allow political messages to bypass the Spam filters. The last thing anyone needs is more useless emails to go through. Where is the proof to their claim that they have a disadvantage over Democratic mailings. Republicans always talk about freedom of choice; well I choose not to have to deal with their political ads. Keep the Spam filters in place. Thank you.

Cheryl Hinkle From:

To:

AO 2022-14 Subject:

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 8:23:45 AM

In reference to AO 2022-14 I want to register my NO vote. NO NO NO NO NO NO!!!

From: Flora Jones To:

AO 2022-14 Subject:

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 8:25:30 AM

Please do not approve this. I do not wish to see political ads or announcements in my Inbox. I wish I could block them altogether.

From: Anne Dunn

To: AO

Subject: AO 2022 14

Subject: AO 2022-14

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 8:29:11 AM

No. Do not Change the way political ads go to SPAM. Just don't. Your customers don't want political advertising in our mailboxes. Make it your job instead to designate ALL political email as spam consistently so we can trust you to not SELL US OUT.

Tell Pichai to stop bending to Republican snowflakes. We don't want ANY politicians in our mailbox, Democrat OR Republican. None.

I hate this.

 From:
 M Udhaya

 To:
 AO

 Subject:
 AO 2022-14

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 8:29:37 AM

- * Regarding the above, absolutely not..."
- * "Please firmly and unequivocally reject ... This is a terrible idea."
- * "Absolutely no. A thousand times no."
- * "Do. Not. Grant. This. Request."
- * "Anyone proposing this idea of political SPAM bypassing spam filters should be tied to a TV set with their eyes pried open and forced to watch hundreds of hours of 'my opponent is a scumbag' ads."
- * "Allowing [G]oogle to prioritize political emails ... would basically mean that Google was providing a large political donation to every politician sending emails to Gmail addresses."

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Thanks, Udhay
 From:
 gpags213

 To:
 AO

 Subject:
 AO 2022-14

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 8:41:44 AM

This is a terrible idea. The very last thing I ever want to see in my inbox is a political email. As far as I am concerned they are all spam.

Do the world a favor and REJECT this request.

From: Charles Reynolds

To:

AO 2022-14 Subject:

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 8:45:20 AM

In reference to AO 2022-14. I completely disagree with this approach. If this passes, I would probably use the complete Gmail account as a Spam account and mass delete.

 From:
 Bethb8356

 To:
 AO

 Subject:
 AO 2022-14

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 8:47:06 AM

I strongly oppose allowing political emails to be allowed through to my Gmail account. If I want to receive emails from political campaigns or parties I sign up for them. All the rest ARE SPAM. Beth Bradley

From: Lisa Marazzo

To:

AO 2022-14 Subject:

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 8:52:04 AM

I am not interested in any unsolicited emails from republicans or democrats showing up in my inbox. Please do not let this happen.

Thank you, Lisa Marazzo

Sent from Gmail Mobile

Gary Smith From: AO 2022-14 To:

Subject:

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 9:01:59 AM

I am adamantly opposed to this proposal and urge you to reject it. We do not need any more unsolicited email. We are already deluged!

Gary Smith

John Scerbak From:

To:

AO 2022-14 Subject:

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 9:01:59 AM

I am vehemently opposed to political emails being able to pass by spam filters.

From: Jon Wright AO AO 2022-14 To:

Subject:

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 9:04:40 AM

Please reject the notion of giving political email any sort of exemption from Gmail's spam filters. I do not wish to be involuntarily subjected to political email.

Respectfully, Jon Wright

From: Danielle M Crosier

To:

AO 2022-14 Subject:

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 9:14:26 AM

Absolutely DO NOT change the spam policy. I do not want to be bombarded with political junk mail.

You're only doing this for money and optics. Don't become more despicable and obtrusive than you already are, Google.

Sincerely,

D. M. Crosier

ΙC From: AO 2022-14 To:

Subject:

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 9:16:33 AM

Hello - kindly do not allow email from any politician or supporter or political party to circumvent current spam filters. None of them will be read if they get through and you then this proposed bullshit change will make me individually mark them as spam. Fuck off!

 From:
 c.doubleu7

 To:
 AO

 Subject:
 AO 2022-14

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 9:18:45 AM

Do not allow political emails to divert spam if they were not directly requested to be sent to my inbox by me.

Sent from my T-Mobile 5G Device

From: Tim Callahan

To: <u>AO</u>

Subject: AO 2022-14

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 9:20:16 AM

To whom it may concern:

I respectfully request you do not agree with Google's suggestion to allow political emails not be screened as spam. The volume of garbage we receive now is ridiculous, and supporting any unsolicited email be allowed to not be screened would have impact on productivity and mental health. Additionally, allowing Google to prioritize political emails would basically mean that Google was providing a large political donation to every politician sending emails to Gmail addresses.

I understand the premise to try to avoid any demonstration of bias, but no email system should be allowing unsolicited messages. Thank you for your consideration.

Tim Callahan Stockbridge, Georgia

Pat Fitzgerald From:

To:

AO 2022-14 Subject:

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 9:22:54 AM

Please do not allow Google to force me to delete political spam emails one by one. Thank you.

From: mike.melissa.wagner

To:

AO 2022-14 Subject: Date:

Sunday, July 17, 2022 9:26:31 AM

Leave spam as spam. Michael Wagner, Naples, FL

Sent from my Galaxy

From: Daniel Seibert

To: AO

Subject: AO 2022-14

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 9:33:36 AM

To whom it may concern:

I respectfully request that Google's request for a pilot program to allow for unsolicited "spam" political emails to be categorically denied.

I have multiple email accounts and appreciate the current spam filters that Google has in place. I already receive a slew of email for those things that I have opted in for.

Considering the many despicable, hateful, and down-right dishonest ads presented to us here in Ohio this last election cycle, I could only imagine how this would turn out. Political email should be an opt-in process, just like anything else.

In my opinion, it would allow nefarious actors another means to spoof political email and spread viruses and scams as well.

Respectfully,

Daniel B. Seibert, II A registered voter in Ohio.

The Howells Gmail From:

To:

AO 2022-14 Subject:

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 9:33:42 AM

Please do not allow current spam laws to be circumvented

Sent from my iPad

CA Shobe From: To: <u>AO</u> AO 2022-14 Subject:

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 9:36:57 AM

I strongly oppose the changes to the Google Gmail SPAM accounting system in AO 2022-14.

Allowing Google to prioritize political emails ... would basically mean that Google was providing a large political donation to every politician sending emails to Gmail addresses. Our democracy would be unfairly targeted.

Do not allow Google to make this change.

Carolyn Shobe

Dawn Bilderback From:

To:

AO 2022-14 Subject:

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 9:41:09 AM

I DO NOT want ANY political emails to bypass my spam folder. I hate political news on TV, Radio, News websites, social media, etc so I surely don't want it in my inbox.

From: wiese.brandon

To:

AO 2022-14 Subject:

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 9:42:22 AM

Absolutely not. We get enough spam with political TV and radio ads, we don't need blasted in our emails as well.

Sent via the Samsung Galaxy S22 Ultra 5G, an AT&T 5G smartphone

Cindy Ries Hodnett From:

To:

AO 2022-14 Subject:

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 9:43:50 AM

Allowing Google to prioritize political emails ... would basically mean that Google was providing a large political donation to every politician sending emails to Gmail.

It's hard enough now to keep spam manageable. Please don't make it worse!

From: Richard Krause

To:

AO 2022-14 Subject:

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 9:44:33 AM

Do not allow political emails to bypass the spam filter, it is a terribly stupid idea that nobody outside of the inept politicians want .--

- Rick Krause -

From: Karen Janisewski

To:

AO 2022-14 Subject:

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 9:44:48 AM

This proposal would allow unsolicited emails to be treated with the same importance as my correspondence with friends and family. Junk mail is not what Gmail is for. VOTE NO!

From: Walter L. Preuninger II

To:

AO 2022-14 Subject:

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 9:47:59 AM

Please do not allow ANY FEC approved political communications to be routed to my Inbox for my Gmail address.

Thank you,

Walter L. Preuninger II

Mark Sweeney From:

To:

AO 2022-14 Subject:

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 9:53:54 AM

Enabling Google's request to allow political emails to bypass spam filters is a ridiculous and dangerous precedent. I cannot believe this is even being entertained. Deny their request.

Mark Sweeney

From: Richard Giannone

To: <u>AO</u>

Subject: AO 2022-14

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 9:59:36 AM

Just stop with this terrible resolution. We don't want to read this shit. It's written for dummies who can think on their own. Stop helping politicians and their pointless "careers" with free advertising. It isn't public service anymore, it's sheer trolling and fuckery.

Do better!

From: dimposs AO 2022-14 To:

Subject:

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 10:01:12 AM

This makes attack ads more likely than policy discussion or explanations more likely. Bad idea. I'm against it.

 From:
 Steve Hurt

 To:
 AO

 Subject:
 AO 2022-14

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 10:03:46 AM

Allcon,

I'm requesting that Google's proposal be rejected.

No company or government entity should be allowed to approve an increase in "spam" messages. The users should individually approve these messages as acceptable I.e. using an opt in approach. Any message beyond one to one or a small number should be defined as spam.

Regards, Steve

Sent from my iPhone

From: Hal To:

AO 2022-14 Subject:

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 10:07:58 AM

AO 2022-14

Please DO NOT APPROVE THIS REQUEST!

Hal Nilsen Tucson, AZ From:

To:

Subject: AO 2022-14

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 10:10:48 AM

I do NOT want political emails flagged as not spam. They are spam to me.

Sent from my iPhone

From: Mary Chandler

To:

AO 2022-14 Subject:

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 10:10:55 AM

Absolutely not!

If Google passes this plan, there will be a mass exodus from their platform to other email providers. I, for one, refuse to be bombarded by unsolicited political advertisements and there are millions more just like me.

 From:
 maka dudi

 To:
 AO

 Subject:
 AO 2022-14

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 10:27:08 AM

This is a very bad idea. Do not do this. Do not allow Google to spam my mail box.

Sincerely

From: Steve Bidinger

To:

AO AO 2022-14 Subject:

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 10:32:01 AM

Please do not allow poltical spam.

Steve Bidinger



Sent from my iPhone

lady malpirgi From:

To:

AO 2022-14 Subject:

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 10:32:52 AM

Do not send any political emails to me

LadyMalpirgi Ramkht

James Beebe From:

To:

AO 2022-14 Subject:

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 10:34:50 AM

Dear Sirs:

Please do not approve this measure. The very last thing I want to do is individually report these obnoxious and manipulative political ads!

Allen Smith From: AO 2022-14 To:

Subject:

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 10:37:22 AM

In regards to AO 2022-14, no...simply no do not allow it. Thank you,

Allen Smith

From: Andrew Ostergren

To: <u>AO</u>

Subject: AO 2022-14

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 10:39:37 AM

Changing the way Google is allowed to handle spam would be an absolute travesty. As it is, the amount of unwanted mail has come close to making email unmanageable as a method of communication. If you allow Google to change their method of determining spam re: political email would be disastrous. You can't agree to this proposal.

Andrew Ostergren New York
 From:
 Chris R

 To:
 AO

 Subject:
 AO 2022-14

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 10:40:08 AM

This comment is in OPPOSITION to the idea of allowing Google to bypass the spam filtering and flood our email inboxes with political advertising/solicitations/newsletters which are mostly spam as people never signed up for these things but somehow have ended up on a mail list. PLEASE DO NOT GRANT THIS PROPOSAL.

Thank you.

From: Phillip Alberhasky

To: <u>AO</u>

Subject: AO 2022-14

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 10:42:13 AM

The idea of allowing political emails to show up in my inbox is a bad one. I already spend enough time wading through automatically generated emails to get to the ones that mean something to me. This would just make the problem worse. Please deny this request.

Thanks,

Phillip Alberhasky

"Great minds discuss ideas; average minds discuss events; small minds discuss people." Eleanor Roosevelt

 From:
 Clay A

 To:
 AO

 Subject:
 AO 2022-14

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 10:42:45 AM

No, please do not grant Google's request. It is a terrible idea. Thank you!

Dale Samsel From:

To:

AO 2022-14 Subject:

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 10:45:38 AM

Do not do this ever!!!! Investigate Google for censoring conservatives!!!!!

From: Tim Trochelman

To:

AO 2022-14 Subject:

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 10:51:49 AM

Do not grant the request associated with AO 2022-14! E-mail life is difficult enough now and would become untenable were things to change because of the proposal.

From: Grateful Zugore

To: <u>AO</u>

Subject: AO 2022-14

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 10:52:41 AM

I am opposed to AO 2022-14 and do not want political adds in my inbox. spam is spam no matter who sends it. if I've not asked for it them i dont want them. lots of mail options out there other than gmail, keep it up Google and you'll fall from the top.

Bob Borre From: AO 2022-14 To: Subject:

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 10:54:57 AM

Please do not allow political parties to by-pass spam filters with their mailings. I'm already getting way more of these emails than I care to see. They like advertisers, are already ignoring robo calling rules and we do not need to give them another way to pitch their bs to us.

From: Eric Blumanthal

To:

AO 2022-14 Subject:

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 10:55:48 AM

Please from the American people, vote NO to Spam from anyone. No party should have extra access to anyone for political reasons. Keep it to television ads and web pop ups.

From: Martha White

To: <u>AO</u>

Subject: AO 2022-14

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 10:58:12 AM

I beg of you to stop this! My email box is my personal communication channel. I do not want to be bombarded with emails that I have not solicited or subscribed. This is an undue burden to the American people. Parties should put a link on their websites for interested parties to subscribe to their emails or add instructions to the many advertisements that we will be subjected to during the midterm period.

Thank you for your consideration.

Martha White North Carolina

Lance Josal From: AO 2022-14 To:

Subject:

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 11:01:19 AM

This is a horrible idea, I'm against it!!!

Lance Josal

From: Jack Jensen To:

AO 2022-14 Subject:

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 11:01:50 AM

I don't want any political ads or the like in my inbox...its all SPAM!

From: Donna Shimp

To: <u>AO</u>

Subject: AO 2022-14

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 11:03:45 AM

Please Do Not allow political ads to be sent to my email. They are spam and need to be treated as such. If I want emails from a political party or candidate I will sign up for them . I do not want to be harassed by people begging for money. Thank you.

From: John Barton

To: <u>AO</u>

Subject: AO 2022-14

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 11:15:11 AM

Please, DO NOT do this.

This proposal will only contribute to the debasement of our democracy and render email even more infuriating, time-consuming, and costly to provide than it already is. The only beneficiaries will be those who run the political machines who want to divide the country for profit and power.

John Wurth From: AO 2022-14 To:

Subject:

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 11:15:56 AM

To Whom it may Concern,

Google's request to stop directing political ads to spam (AO 2022-14) seems like a terrible idea. Please do not let them do this.

John

ΚH From: To:

Subject:

AO AO 2022-14 Sunday, July 17, 2022 11:17:46 AM Date:

Please do not allow Google to let political emails bypass Spam filters.

Sincerely,

CF From: AO 2022-14 To:

Subject:

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 11:24:53 AM

We have been notified of the plan to send political email (spam) to our gmail accounts. You must cease and desist on this practice and we have a right to refuse receipt of these unwanted messages.

Do not force feed these messages to us now or ever!

Please confirm receipt and acknowledge this will not happen.

Regards,

CF

Sent from my iPhone

From: Larry Olsen To: AO

Subject: AO 2022-14

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 11:31:14 AM

Suggestion: Everyone on the advisory/decision panel first subject only themselves to, oh, say 90 days of continuous bombardment of un-wanted, un-welcomed, intrusive, annoying and incredibly persistent political propaganda, styled in rhetorical drivil that's nauseating to read, offends every single shred of common decency you have, and is basically identical to a %#x<(\$'s faucet that you can't shut off.

Or, listen to Trump ramble on continuously for 48 hours, your choice.

From: Hi ya AO 2022-14 To: Subject:

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 11:34:11 AM

In reference to: AO 2022-14. I am OPPOSED to any modifications of algorithms allowing more unwanted emails into my inbox.

Paul D. Laredo From:

To:

AO 2022-14 Subject:

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 11:37:06 AM

Please do not allow political emails to bypass SPAM filters, they are the very definition of SPAM.

From: Calvin Kleinmann

To: <u>AO</u>

Subject: AO 2022-14

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 11:37:52 AM

I do not want any political emails in my Gmail Inbox unless I specifically invite them. Republican or Democrat, I don't care. I am unaffiliated and very choosy about to whom I listen.

Calvin Kleinmann Olathe, KS

Work to live, don't live to work.

Menchies Granada Hills From:

To:

AO 2022-14 Subject:

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 11:43:47 AM

Please do not allow political spam to be allowed through Google email spam filters. This multi billion dollar corporation doesn't need any help influencing election outcomes. Keep inboxes clean.

Thank you

Andrew Charlton

From: Yolanda Munoz

To:

AO 2022-14 Subject:

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 11:45:31 AM

Do not grant Google petition. Political emails are the worst scan of all.

Khalid From: AO 2022-14 To:

Subject:

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 11:49:19 AM

To whom it may concern at FEC:

Thank you very much for extending the deadline to hear from more users.

I would like to state my opposition for allowing unsolicited political ads, and or campaign emails, otherwise filtered by the spam engine, directly into my inbox. My email should not become a battleground for partisan politics.

Thank you!

Khalid Khan

 From:
 John Doe

 To:
 AO

 Subject:
 AO 2022-14

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 11:53:04 AM

I object to Google's proposal to allow campaign and similar donation-solicitation emails to bypass spam filters. If I want an email to not be considered spam, I can do that myself.

Timothy Hood

From: farrell Coates

To: <u>AO</u>

Subject: AO 2022-14

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 11:59:48 AM

Good morning

It has come to my attention that Google wants the FEC to weigh in on a proposal to launch a pilot program" under which emails from some FEC-registered political committees would "not be affected by forms of spam detection to which they would otherwise be subject. Please do everything within your power to oppose this proposal. If this change were to be inacted it would force millions of people with Gmail acounts to address even more unsolicited mail than we already do. It would also allow yet another aspect of eveyday life to become politicized and increase controversy in our already fractured society.

Crew schuster From:

To:

AO 2022-14. NO Subject:

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 11:33:15 AM

I am responding to public comment on this matter AO 2022-14.

I say NO. please. Crew Schuster

Andrew Willis From:

To:

AO 2022-14. Subject:

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 8:43:25 AM

Please do not approve this request. This would be an absolutely terrible idea!

Jennifer Blaney From:

To:

AO 2022-14. Subject:

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 9:25:12 AM

Please do not allow political messages to bypass spam. I do not want this junking up my inbox. I will not read them and will find a different email if I have to continually delete them.

Thank you

Jennifer Blaney

From: Erik Montag To:

AO 2022-14. Subject:

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 9:32:21 AM

Please do not allow Google's plan to start exempting some political emails in Gmail from spam.

Thank you, Erik Montag From: terrycdev AO 2022-14. To:

Subject:

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 10:27:47 AM

Hello,

Please do not approve the proposal to allow political email to evade spam filters.

Thank you

Terry Carter

From: Jim Pease AO 2022-14. To:

Subject:

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 11:06:03 AM

No, no. This is a terrible idea. I will terminate Gmail immediately if this is stupidly approved

Dr. James Pease

BLACKSBURG, Virginia

Paul Glassman From:

To:

AO 2022-14. Subject:

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 11:49:53 AM

Do NOT let google exempt political emails from Spam rules and filters.

Sent from my Verizon, Samsung Galaxy smartphone

From: Sean Leach AO 2022-14. To:

Subject:

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 8:20:31 AM

Please do not allow Google / Gmail to allow political emails access to the primary account. Those emails need to preferentially go to spam.

Gary Weiss From: AO 2022-14." To:

Subject:

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 10:10:16 AM

No no no, plz do not let political emails bypass spam filters

From: Geri Carboni To:

AO 2022-14." Subject:

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 8:12:15 AM

Absolutely no to AO 2022-14."

Our mail boxes get filled with unsolicited email already, WE DO NOT need to have Google or anyone else subjecting the consumer to more. That includes political advertising or solicitation

From: Donald Seielstad

To: <u>AO</u>

Subject: AO 2022-14

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 4:18:30 AM

I am strongly opposed to your proposed changes to Gmail prioritization of political emails. I do not want to receive unsolicited political (fundraising) email constantly! Democratic or republican.

If I need to find these unwanted intrusions, I can easily open my spam folder to read them.

Donald Seielstad

From: Carol Kearney

To:

Subject:

AO 2022-14: Google Sunday, July 17, 2022 9:32:47 AM Date:

Please do not grant this request. I do not want unsolicited email in my inbox. Let me continue to review the spam folder.

Carol Kearney

cherylkallio3 From:

To:

AO 202215 Subject:

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 9:03:08 AM

Please do not approve any policy changes that would allow more unsolicited (spam) emails to enter my inbox. I'm overwhelmed enough with email and depend on email for my kids' school communications.

Thank you,

Cheryl Kallio

Sent from my Verizon, Samsung Galaxy smartphone

From: Bonnie Bayer

To:

AO2022-14 reference Subject:

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 9:36:15 AM

PLEASE DO NOT GO WITH THIS PLAN, ITS A TERRIBLE IDEA AND WOULD CREATE A HUGE MESS.

Jim Croghan From:

To:

AO AO2022-14 Subject:

Sunday, July 17, 2022 7:25:37 AM Date:

AO2022-14

I oppose getting political ads in my email.

From: Michael Long

To: <u>AO</u>

Subject: ao2022-14

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 9:49:28 AM

Please do not allow Google to change the spam filter to allow political ads.

Thank you.

Susan and Mike Long

From: Rick Vanvorous

To: <u>AO</u>

Subject: AO-2022-14

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 10:46:34 AM

Please do not allow unsolicited e-mail from political candidates or parties to bypass spam filters. We already get dozens of phone calls from candidates that I don't desire. If we want political candidates to contact us we'll contact them to send us mail and updates. Why "fix" something that is not broken.

Paul Van Vorous

 From:
 Carol H

 To:
 AO

 Subject:
 AO2022-14

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 7:45:10 AM

For the love of God and all that's holy do not allow this. It will be horrible

Mr.K From: To:

AO-2022-14 Subject:

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 11:20:33 AM

Do not approve political email prioritization.

Regards, Kelvin

From: Sheri Hautala

To: <u>AO</u>

Subject: AO2022-14

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 8:07:47 AM

this is in refference to you letting spam come through to my in box, any spam including polictical. I am totally against this idea, it is a NO for my email address as well as my husband's which is hautalars@gmail. We both are absolutely against this idea.

thank you Sheri From: Francesca Houghtaling

To:

Subject: AO2022-14

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 8:37:06 AM

NO WAY. Please do not allow this to happen. NO a thousand times no. Do NOT grant this access which would allow politics into out private lives and mean that politicians are getting free access to people. This will send people to other providers which do not do this.

F. Houghtaling

Sent from my iPhone

 From:
 jjdylag

 To:
 AO

 Subject:
 AO2022-14

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 9:23:43 AM

To whom thisay concern,

I am absolutely against this new proposal by Google.

As it is my Gmail is overwhelmed with adds, unwanted emails I can never un subscribe from. Political emails would be a disaster to add to this mess.

Thank you, James Dylag

Sent from my Verizon, Samsung Galaxy smartphone

From:

To:

Subject: AO2022-14

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 5:23:33 AM

No to the change.

Sent from my iPhone

From: George Rustemeyer

To: <u>AO</u>

Subject: ao2022-14

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 7:39:30 AM

In the above referenced matter, please no !!!Do not allow this

From: A. Delareuelle

To:

AO-2022-14 Subject:

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 9:07:10 AM

No! No! No!

I absolutely do not want to have this be allowed!

I do not want political emails automatically sent to MY email! If I wanted them, I'd seek them out.

I would stop all Gmail if this was approved.

This is RUBBISH.

From: Calvin Francis

To:

<u>AO</u> AO-202214 Subject:

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 8:32:48 AM

I unequivocally and categorically reject this proposal. Do not send any emails from any politician directly to my inbox, I will not read them.

Brian McCormack From:

To:

Subject:

AO As regards AO 2022-14. Sunday, July 17, 2022 9:38:08 AM Date:

Do not take away my control of what I deem to be "spammable" email content. That idea is preposterous!!!!

BMcCormack

From: **B** Clements To: AO; B Clements

Subject: Comment for AO 2022-14

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 9:29:16 AM

FEC:

The idea of allowing political emails to spam personal email accounts, even Gmail accounts is a horrible idea.

I have noticed there is no agency holding political groups, candidates, or the not so popular PACs accountable for misleading and deceptive ads or unwanted bashing and ugliness.

This action would also amount to an untracked corporate political donation worth millions, maybe billions that in little time one party would whine about how the opposing party was taking advantage of.

Do your job, protect the interests of the American public and not the fear mongering work of the GQP party.

Bryan E Clements

From: Scott Morris

To: <u>AO</u>

Comment for Google's Request for Opinion on Pilot Program Sunday, July 17, 2022 11:06:25 AM Subject:

Date:

To whom it may concern,

I am writing to urge the committee to oppose approval of Google's pilot program to allow political emails to bypass spam filters.

From: G. Bruce Lott

To: AO

Subject: Comment regarding AO 2022-14 (Google LLC)

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 2:35:44 AM

Dear FEC reviewer,

This is a public comment regarding Google LLC's pending AO(R) 2022-14.

I believe that Google's gmail service should NOT be allowed to send political email straight to users' inboxes, exempting it from their usual SPAM filtering. We are inundated by junk phone calls and texts because of political exemptions to the Do Not Call Registry, and now Google wants to exempt political emails (usually asking for money and/or lying or grossly misrepresenting that some candidate or issue will cause the end of the world as we know it) from their usual (and helpful) automatic SPAM filtering. I suspect that Google is looking for a way to avoid politicians complaining that they are biased in some way, by simply ducking the issue.

Most people (including myself) do NOT WANT POLITICAL SPAM, and the abuses SHOULD BE FILTERED. These emails, if presented directly to the inbox, will invariably reach numerous "low information" or gullible voters who may react viscerally to the subject line, not even reading the email, or reading only a portion of the blaring email introduction, never seeing the required fine print. This promotes shallow, divisive political messaging, and drowns out more meaningful dialogue that our divided democracy so urgently needs.

The bad actors will always break the rules and push the boundaries to scream at us, and thus there will likely be a race to the bottom. Or, if one party or candidate uses more measured and thoughtful messaging, they will be disadvantaged by Google's proposal--a very important consideration. After all, abusive practices *should* be filtered as SPAM, not simply passed on as if they must be legitimate just because they are from a registered political actor.

For these reasons, please do NOT approve Google's AOR.

Thank you for your consideration.

Bruce Lott

From: Gmail To: AO

Subject: Comment to Google"s Request for Opinion on Pilot Program

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 11:24:30 AM

Dear FEC,

Google is asking for the FEC's opinion on whether Google can institute a pilot program which allows the email sent to Gmail users from political candidates and campaigns to bypass Google's spam filters, and instead be delivered directly to their users' inboxes,

allowing their users to determine whether or not they consider the email to be spam.

On the one hand, Google is of course free to do whatever they want with Gmail (within limits) as it is their service. It has always been the case that ISPs have wide latitude in making email delivery decisions.

On the other hand, given what is going on with the Jan 6 investigation, and how campaign email is potentially directly implicated (as may be the conduit, Salesforce), it seems a very bad time indeed to give candidates and campaigns such a free pass (for which,

have no doubt, Google will ultimately be charging). It seems doubly so if they are not going to also give a similar spam filtering bypass to others.

That said, of course, one can argue that the spam filtering of political email by an organization which delivers email to billions of people, and which is so wholly intertwined and entangled with various government agencies is, in and of itself, suppression of political speech, and that is certainly one of the specters hanging over this request.

Part of the technical and institutional problem here is that political email has "always" been seen as a pariah among the email receiving industries (inbox providers, ISPs, spam filters, etc.) because so much of it is *actually* spam, meaning people being put on

a mailing list without their request, let alone consent. I have zero doubt that you yourselves have received this political spam, because everybody has. While Google is no doubt reacting to recent events, and recent charges of partisan favoritism in their filtering algorithms, opening up the floodgates to their users' inboxes, and making their 1.5billion users bear the brunt of the massive amount of political spam that is sent, in order to assuage partisan disgruntlement, is not the best way to address these charges. (I have thoughts on what is the best way, however coincidentally Google has not thought to ask me.)

Personally if Google is given this, the very first day I will be deleting my google account and I am sure there will be millions more just like myself.

Brad Yantzer

John Hoefer From:

To:

AO Comment: AO 2022-14 Subject:

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 9:27:02 AM

Please DO NOT allow Google's request: AO 2022-14

From: Scott Johnson

To: AC

Subject: Displeasure with upcoming considerations of AO 2022-14

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 9:08:18 AM

As an @gmail.com user, I would like to register my dissent to the FEC's consideration of implementing what I perceive to be the unleashing of excessive unwanted political emails on all consumers at large. I made the switch to Gmail from another email platform precisely due to the amount of excessive of unsolicited emails received. I would ask the FEC to not yield to the pressures being placed on it by political pundits, regardless of which side of the aisle these requests are coming from.

Scott Johnson Wilmette, IL

Sent from my iPad

From: vv To: <u>AO</u>

Don"t allow AO 2022-14.

Subject: Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 7:33:55 AM

Richard Turchi From:

To:

AO FEC Case file AO 2022-14 Subject:

Sunday, July 17, 2022 11:06:43 AM Date:

Regarding the above FEC case file, this is a terrible idea; please do not allow it to be passed.

Sincerely,

Richard A Turchi

From: Michael Sheehan

To: AC

Subject: Gmail political spam AO 2022-14

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 10:21:36 AM

This is just a terrible idea. Please do not allow it.

Gmail should not be allowed change it's filters to allow political spam. This is a huge waste of users time and a huge annoyance to consumers who want less spam not more.

Michael Sheehan.

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Sent from Gmail Mobile

From: John Lewis
To: AO
Subject: Gmail

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 10:15:14 AM

I have emailed CNN numerous times in regards to their advertising. For an example, to watch a 30 second animal video it is required prior for me to watch a 15 to 30 second advertisement. In my emails to CNN I have stated when that occurs I simply move on to a different curiosity and disregard CNN and the advertisement completely. The amount of advertising in front of American society is predatory, greedy, grifty, and simply distasteful. So to allow spam to be forced on me and others does not make anything better for me or society. It only makes google more money, which seems to me that they have enough. Thank you for listening and please make a choice based on need and not greed.

John Lewis

From: Simona To: AO

 Subject:
 Google - ref number: AO 2022-14

 Date:
 Sunday, July 17, 2022 7:47:51 AM

I am very against this idea. Please do not approve this very big change in the spam detection. Thank you.

Simona Arles

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"The only real prison is fear, and the only real freedom is freedom from fear." -- Aung San Suu Kyi  $\,$ 

From:

To: <u>A</u>

Subject:Google Political Spam DetectionDate:Sunday, July 17, 2022 8:38:46 AM

This is not desireable or acceptable. Most Republican email is trash and trashy. I am against allowing this spam to bypass spam filters and even though painful I will drop Google as a email provider if this is allowed.

Please do not ok this change.

Thank you.

Laurence Cramer Massachusetts From: hal roadtripping

To:

 Subject:
 Google request AO 2022-14.

 Date:
 Sunday, July 17, 2022 10:13:51 AM

Do not grant this request, please.

Google is asking for the right to bombard users with political spam emails. Nobody needs or wants more spam, particularly not lying political spam, full of debunked misinformation

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Hal Pawluk

From: Charlie Dunn

To: AC

 Subject:
 Google Request AO 2022-14

 Date:
 Sunday, July 17, 2022 11:57:52 AM

Please do NOT approve. I do NOT need useless, irrelevant political requests/pleadings/requests for funding cluttering my already busy in-box.

I do my own due diligence in researching political campaigns/issues.

thanks, for listening to the people

**From:** Mike Myers

To: AC

 Subject:
 Google request AO 2022-14

 Date:
 Sunday, July 17, 2022 8:53:59 AM

To whom it may concern:

Please do not allow Google to change the way political spam email is dealt with to avoid being sent directly to the spam folder.

Political email being able to bypass spam filters is a terrible idea and would further enable "rage farming" to escalate to deepen our national division.

We need to find ways to stop it not make it worse.

Making a change that ensures a sound bite subject line cannot be avoided will contribute to making our divide exponentially worse.

Thank you for your consideration.

Mike Myers

From: Craig Duncan

To:

AO Google Request re: Spam AO 2022-14. Sunday, July 17, 2022 10:56:52 AM Subject: Date:

To whom it may concern,

Do. Not. Grant. This. Request.

Duncan

From: Lee Hetrick

To: AO

Subject: Google request to FEC: "AO 2022-14."

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 11:51:11 AM

As a Gmail user and registered non-partisan voter I want to express my strong opposition to the FEC adopting the process described in the subject request.

I propose ALL political broadcast messages be flagged, not necessarily as Spam but rather as political, and have a Gmail filter installed to route all such messages to a special folder for me to review or purge as I see fit. This solution should appease those political organizations, whether republican or democrat, who believe they are being discriminated against.

Please, do not take the path of least resistance here, assert yourselves and request Google implement a new 'political message' label and folder for Gmail.

H Lee Hetrick Harrisburg, PA

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- via mobile

From: BJ Arias To:

AO Google request: AO 2022-14 Sunday, July 17, 2022 10:59:29 AM Subject: Date:

... AN ATROCIOUSLY-HORRIBLE-IDEA... DO YOUR JOB... STOP THIS FROM HAPPENING.. !!!

BJ Arias

Henderson, NV

From: Kim Steiner

**To:** <u>AO</u>

**Subject:** Google spam filters AO 2022-14. **Date:** Sunday, July 17, 2022 8:22:29 AM

I am opposed to suspending Gmail spam filters on messages from political parties and candidates as part of a plan to "enhance user and bulk sender experience.

## Signed,

An independent who is seriously opposed to the thought of Google giving easy access to my email inbox to every political mass sending. It's already sickening enough.

From: Chuck To: AO

 Subject:
 Google"s request: "AO 2022-14." No!

 Date:
 Sunday, July 17, 2022 7:55:18 AM

Regarding Google's proposal to allow unrequested political messaging to pass through their spam filters and to my inbox, please do NOT approve this.

If I do not subscribe, I am not interested and am already dealing with all the unsolicited e-mail that does get through that I can stand.

Thank you

From: George Bliss

To:

 Subject:
 Google"s request: "AO 2022-14."

 Date:
 Sunday, July 17, 2022 7:54:38 AM

Dear Mrs. Weintraub at FEC,

Please do not allow Google, through their request #AO 2022-14, to turn Gmail into a morase of slimey political emails that slide through existing spam filters. I need Gmail. I use its services exclusively for business purposes and would be hard pressed to find a replacement for it.

Sincerely yours, George Bliss From: Bill Shoemaker
To: AO; Lori Trahan

**Subject:** Google"s request: "AO 2022-14." **Date:** Sunday, July 17, 2022 8:49:22 AM

Regarding AO 2022-14. I am opposed to this filing by the government. Politicians are exclude from spam calls and I, and most Americans would be opposed to the government now allowed Politicians to now asking for donations to clutter our email inboxes.

Please deny this request.

William Shoemaker

 From:
 aaopny60

 To:
 AO

**Subject:** Google"s request: "AO 2022-14." **Date:** Sunday, July 17, 2022 9:27:41 AM

Sent from my Verizon, Samsung Galaxy smartphone ao@fec.gov, reference number of Google's request: "AO 2022-14." NO POLITICAL SPAM

I DO NOT want political spam being sent directly to my in box. I am aware of the political theatrics going on in out country and DO NOT want it in my Gmail. DO NOT allow this political bs to infiltrate our email. We see and hear enough all day through news, radio and political activists protesting and harming innocent people throughout daily routines. ENOUGH IS ENOUGH.

Linda Noeller

From: Sean Lynch

To: AC

 Subject:
 Google"s request: "AO 2022-14."

 Date:
 Sunday, July 17, 2022 11:51:47 AM

Regarding Google's request: "AO 2022-14."

It seems to me to be a horrific idea. I have spent years cultivating my Spam folder. Now they want to turn that inside out.

When politicians start acting like adults instead of children and work an honest days work for the good of our Nation, maybe then I'll want to see what that have to say but it still needs to be MY DECISION, not Google's.

Plz reject the idea and concept. It's not time for this, not know anyway.

Regards,

Sean Lynch

**From:** A P **To:** <u>AO</u>

 Subject:
 Google"s request: "AO 2022-14."

 Date:
 Sunday, July 17, 2022 7:50:06 AM

Please do not allow Google to send political emails directly into our inboxes. They should remain spam unless I put them into my primary inbox.

Please block this change.

Thank you Anita Poon From: Me Silly To: AO

Subject: hell no to AO 2022-14

**Date:** Sunday, July 17, 2022 8:54:49 AM

What the hell are they thinking? it's bad enough you can't stop spam phone calls. DO NOT allow this political junk mail unfettered access to my email!

Walther PPS From:

To:

AO Sunday, July 17, 2022 10:47:31 AM Date:

Google's request: "AO 2022-14." I highly oppose this effort by Google. Another attempt to make change to the working class. Do not approve.

Chris McKinney From:

To:

AO No to AO 2022-14 Subject:

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 11:25:23 AM

I am opposed to Google's plan to allow political messages through spam filters. Do not grant this request.

Wm Oberti From: To:

AO No to AO 2022-14 Subject:

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 8:55:18 AM

I do not want political email to bypass my gmail filter. Spam is spam. Those emails are spam.

Thanks,

Bill Oberti

Sent from myPhone

From: John Comeau

To:

AO OA 2022-14 Subject:

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 10:32:04 AM

I am totally opposed to political parties flooding my inbox with donation requests. If anyone objects to this opinion, they can sign-up for updates from their preferred website.

From: Betty Sari To:

AO Please don"t allow this Subject:

Sunday, July 17, 2022 9:49:31 AM Date:

Please don't allow this. Censorship belongs to the individuals, not to the outside groups.

From: Meg Harrington

To:

AO Please reject AO 2022-14 Sunday, July 17, 2022 9:14:49 AM Subject: Date:

There is no good reason to implement AO 2022-14. Tha ks.

From: James Zafarana

To:

AO Political emails are spam "AO 2022-14" Sunday, July 17, 2022 9:19:09 AM Subject: Date:

Regarding below..absolutely not...

"AO 2022-14"

From: George Rings

To:

AO Political spam Subject:

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 10:02:44 AM

I absolutely do not want additional political emails ending up in my gmail inbox. No thanks to AO 2022-14. It's a bad idea.

Thanks George Rings

Sent from my iPhone

thunter thunter From:

To:

AO Re: "AO 2022-14." Subject:

Sunday, July 17, 2022 10:27:13 AM Date:

This is an absolutely terrible & misguided request by Google!

Please disapprove this idiotic request.

From: Daniel Herman

To:

Subject: RE: AO 2022-14 - Google Request to allow Political Communications to Bypass Spam Filters

**Date:** Sunday, July 17, 2022 11:47:49 AM

Regarding AO 2022-14

Dear Members of the FCC:

Please do not grant Alphabet's request to allow G-Mail to permit Political Communications from either the Democratic or Republican Party, or any political party, to bypass Spam Filters automatically. I am against this proposed change unequivocally. Allowing this will degrade the functionality of my email and will decrease my ability to attend to my business with adding the frustrating task of deleting dozens upon dozens of unsolicited emails daily from my inbox.

Sincerely yours,

Daniel J Herman MD

Associate Clinical Professor Emeritus Department of Family Medicine University of Washington School of Medicine From: Rosemary Rush

To:

Subject: Re: AO 2022-14

**Date:** Sunday, July 17, 2022 4:47:55 AM

What review panel from Hell guidelines did Google decide to follow to come up with this idea? It's a terrible idea to make your customers have to mark as "Spam" political notices they receive in an election year!!!

Just "Wow."

tedvalleygas From:

To:

Subject: Date:

AO Re/ AO 2022-14 Sunday, July 17, 2022 5:30:52 AM

NO SPAM PERIOD!!! .....ASSHOLES!

Sent from my Galaxy

From: maralie martin

To:

AO Re: AO 2022-14 Subject:

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 7:42:13 AM

To Whom it May Concern Re AO 2022-14

Please firmly and unequivocally reject AO 2022-14. This is a terrible and intrusive idea.

M. Martin

Toronto/Ontario/Canada

 From:
 R G

 To:
 AO

**Subject:** Re: AO 2022-14.

**Date:** Sunday, July 17, 2022 9:06:49 AM

Please do not approve this action. Political discourse needs to be out in the open and not forced, like spam, into my personal life or email.

Statistically, Progressives outnumber conservatives in this country so using that statistic to claim that conservative political viewpoints are somehow being muffled is disingenuous.

I don't allow just anyone to walk into my home, why would it be OK to allow the same in my email?

Please reject this request.

Thanks for your consideration,

Russ Gowan

Greg Washington From:

To:

AO Re: AO 2022-14 Subject:

Sunday, July 17, 2022 4:12:45 AM Date:

This is an extraordinarily bad idea. Please don't do it.

Regards,

Gregory Washington

From: Dale DeJager

**To:** <u>AO</u>

Subject: Re: AO2022-14

**Date:** Sunday, July 17, 2022 8:06:30 AM

Please do NOT allow Google to exempt political messages from their spam filters! Email spam does not need to be made worse by exempting it.

Dale DeJager

Michael From: To:

Subject:

AO Reference # AO 2022-14 Sunday, July 17, 2022 9:13:36 AM Date:

No. Do not let Google bypass spam filters for political emails.

From: Terry Zazzi

To:

AO Reference #AO 2022-14 Subject:

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 10:10:24 AM

I do not want any political emails sent to my account. All political emails should be sent to my spam folder.

Terry Zazzi

 From:
 G.I. Smith

 To:
 AO

**Subject:** reference number of Google"s request: "AO 2022-14." No Spam

**Date:** Sunday, July 17, 2022 9:43:53 AM

I get more than enough junk email and don't need more, including political ads.

Sent from my iPhone

From: Charles Legato

**To:** <u>AO</u>

**Subject:** reference number of Google"s request: "AO 2022-14."

**Date:** Sunday, July 17, 2022 8:06:54 AM

Allowing [G]oogle to prioritize political emails ... would basically mean that Google was providing a large political donation to every politician sending emails to Gmail addresses.

I firmly and unequivocally reject. This is a terrible idea.

 From:
 MC

 To:
 AO

Subject: Regarding AO 2022-14 - Prevent Approval Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 11:55:18 AM

Please recognize AO 2022-14 as the invasion of privacy it is for U S citizens. We have enough junk mail to sort through just to pay attention to important issues like enjoying this guaranteed right by law.

Please reject AO 2022-14 permanently.

Regards,

Mark Charles

E=mc<sup>2</sup>

Sandi Maxfield From:

To:

Subject:

Regarding AO2022-14 Sunday, July 17, 2022 11:54:47 AM Date:

Absolutely a terrible idea. Politicians bombard us enough with their ads. I definitely don't want emails from them!

Panther Thirteen From:

To:

AO Regarding Google"s request Reference No.: AO 2022-14 Sunday, July 17, 2022 6:12:47 AM Subject:

Date:

We respectfully ask that you please Review, Reconsider, and Reject this request. Thank you.

From: robert mechem

To:

Subject:

Request # AO 2022-14 Sunday, July 17, 2022 9:41:21 AM Date:

People want LESS, not more political advertising. Plus I doubt it would be fairly employed by Google.

Robert Mechem

From: Ashley Walker

To:

**Subject:** request # AO 2022-14

**Date:** Sunday, July 17, 2022 11:50:40 AM

Please deny this request unequivocally. We DO NOT NEED and DO NOT WANT any more "spam", especially from vitriolic political propagandists.

The hate-filled rhetoric that is the substance of today's flood of divisive political drivel doesn't need and should NOT have a "skip the filter" pass, the better to assail us with disinformation and distortion.

Please deny AO 2022-14

Thank you Ashley Walker From: Hope Henry

**To:** <u>AO</u>

**Subject:** Request AO 2022-14

**Date:** Sunday, July 17, 2022 4:10:27 AM

Please, please, please - do not let Google change it's spam policy for political purposes! We have enough junk in our inboxes.

Thank you, Barry Henry From: Mark Duman

To:

Subject:

AO Say No to spam Sunday, July 17, 2022 6:04:23 AM Date:

reference number of Google's request: "AO 2022-14

<sup>&</sup>quot;Please I firmly and unequivocally reject ... This is a terrible idea."

From: Ed Dunlavey

To: <u>AO</u>

sending an email to ao@fec.gov, and including the reference number of Google"s request: "AO 2022-14." Sunday, July 17, 2022 11:02:53 AM Subject:

Date:

Please do not allow for this change in spam folder functionality. If this change happens I will switch to a new email program.

 From:
 Dan Lerch

 To:
 AO

 Subject:
 Spam

**Date:** Sunday, July 17, 2022 9:59:18 AM

## AO 2022-14

Please reject this idea. Political spam is SPAM. Do not subject this terrible idea on any of us!

Dan Lerch

From: Kathleen Kollar

To:

AO "AO2022-14" Subject:

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 4:04:24 PM

I am against Google's request: "AO2022-14". Please do NOT approve their request.

From: <u>Garry Streeter</u>

To: <u>AO</u>

**Subject:** A0 2022-14

**Date:** Sunday, July 17, 2022 3:33:30 PM

Can an idea be any more stupid? Put this in the bin where it belongs.

If this gets the green-light I will ditch Gmail in a heartbeat; and I know a great many other people who feel the same.

Regards

Garry Streeter

From: Pat Warner

**To:** <u>AO</u>

Subject: AO 2022-14 - Consumer Feedback Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 4:37:36 PM

This is an absolutely terrible idea that should be REJECTED completely. Allowing Google to prioritize political emails ... would basically mean that Google was providing a large political donation to every politician sending emails to Gmail addresses.

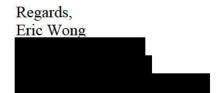
Regards Pat Warner 
 From:
 Eric Wong

 To:
 AO

 Subject:
 AO 2022-14 - GOOGLE LLC

 Date:
 Sunday, July 17, 2022 5:16:23 PM

I wish to let you know that political emails should be classified as junk mail, because it is junk mail. I oppose letting political emails be changed from spam to nonspam. Thank you.



From: <u>Paul Zablotski</u>

To: AO

**Subject:** AO 2022-14 - NO!!!

**Date:** Sunday, July 17, 2022 4:02:01 PM

Re: AO 2022-14

Bad bad bad idea.

How is this NOT an in-kind subsidy from Alphabet to every political campaign and conspiracy-peddling PAC, with the consequences litetllay dumped on your users?

It's hard enough already to stay manually on top of spam that gets through. NO

 From:
 Dawn Boe

 To:
 AO

Subject:AO 2022-14 Google Email/SpamDate:Sunday, July 17, 2022 3:37:30 PM

I want to share my objection to allowing political messages to escape the spam filter and make users manually put them in spam.

Political emails are the epitome of spam and if this happens there will be an exodus of Gmail users moving to other platforms.

So tired of politics and government.

Dawn Boe Gmail user from MN From: Carla Smith

To: AC

 Subject:
 AO 2022-14 Google Request

 Date:
 Sunday, July 17, 2022 5:27:10 PM

Please say NO to Google's request

AO 2022-14!

I don't need more spam as I don't want to spend my retirement deleting spam from my inbox! Nor from my messages inbox!

Thank you,

Have a great day! Carla Smith 
 From:
 Terri Alee

 To:
 AO

 Subject:
 AO 2022-14

**Date:** Sunday, July 17, 2022 2:14:41 PM

Please, I beg of you. Do not let these political ads into my email. They are 100% spam and totally unwanted.

If someone wishes to receive them, let them be the one to go into their spam folder and mark it as not spam.

Don't make us all suffer the fools.

Lawrence Boss From:

To:

AO 2022-14 Subject:

Sunday, July 17, 2022 2:20:46 PM Date:

Please reject this request. Political spam (as all other spam!) has no place in ANYONES regular email.--

Thanks,

Larry Boss

From: Susan Gueck-Gunn

To: AO

**Subject:** AO 2022-14

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 2:23:39 PM

## Dear sirs,

Please do not allow the request to have political spam being allowed to bypass regular spam filters. There are already to many requests for money and misinformation being allowed as it is.

# Susan Gueck-Gunn

From: Chorl S Ton (Charleston)

To:

AO 2022-14 Subject:

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 2:31:49 PM

I object to the change in direction for Gmail and its selling of our information.

Noet B

From: Richard Lartz
To: AO

**Subject:** AO 2022-14

**Date:** Sunday, July 17, 2022 2:49:22 PM

## To Whom It May Concern,

Please do not grant the proposed change to Gmail that has been submitted. The last thing I want, or need for that matter, is more political advertising in my inbox. Again, please do not grant this proposed change to Gmail.

Thank you.

Respectfully,

-Richard Lartz II

 From:
 Big Bear

 To:
 AO

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 Image: Control of the properties of th

**Subject:** AO 2022-14

**Date:** Sunday, July 17, 2022 2:49:28 PM

I am very strongly opposed to this change in treating political emails any differently than any other spam. I firmly believe the Republican complaining is a False Flag. The real reason for more Republican emails being treated as spam is because they ARE spam and should be filtered out. GOOGLE has no business getting involved in politics and if the Republicans think it is unfair then they should create their own email system and leave Google. Any changes to how political emails are handled is wrong just leave this as it currently is

**David Abrames** 

 From:
 George Steed

 To:
 AO

 Subject:
 AO 2022-14

**Date:** Sunday, July 17, 2022 2:50:11 PM

Google's proposed changes to their GMAIL service is a knee-jerk reaction to those politically vocal perpetrators of fraud, mis-information and propaganda. It is true that an algorithm based email screen may reflect a bias, or even be purposely manipulated. But with unsolicited SPAM, ROBOCALLS, telemarketing, PHISHING and cyber attacks rising daily, these proposed changes MUST BE REJECTED to protect the interests of the public! At a bare minimum, the ability to BLOCK ALL FUTURE EMAILS FROM A SOURCE, by IP Address, email address, telephones number, individual or entity MUST BE PROVIDED! Requiring INDIVIDUAL action on each email simply enables the perpetrators to continue to prey on the public!

From: <u>Clayton Kessler</u>

To: <u>AO</u>

**Subject:** AO 2022-14

**Date:** Sunday, July 17, 2022 2:51:59 PM

In reference to Googles request number AO 2022-14. I believe this is a terrible idea. Spam is spam. Political emails are more spam than others. Just say no.

Clayton Kessler Pickerington, Ohio

Sent from my iPhone

From: To:

**Subject:** AO 2022-14

**Date:** Sunday, July 17, 2022 2:53:44 PM

I believe that allowing anyone to decide that emails that are already considered spam should stay spam.

Please don't allow more emails through.

Regards, John Gann 
 From:
 Mark Schar

 To:
 AO

 Subject:
 AO 2022-14

**Date:** Sunday, July 17, 2022 2:59:27 PM

Please do not allow political emails avoid the spam filter. Allowing to do so would flood email boxes with junk email. Self policed opt outs do not work. My spouse died three years ago and I opt out of every political email she gets and they still keep coming. Yes, I've written dozens of filters to screen out these emails but they always find a way to tweak the address or email tomavoid the filter. If you opt into these messages fine, but either enforce opt outs or let Google help screen out the spammy political ads. -- Mark

From: Stephen Josephson

To:

AO 2022-14 Subject:

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 3:02:42 PM

THIS IS A DISGRACEFUL, terrible idea!

Do not allow political emails to bypass Spam filters!

 From:
 Larry Scher

 To:
 AO

 Subject:
 AO 2022-14

**Date:** Sunday, July 17, 2022 3:06:07 PM

## TWIMC,

If anything, the SPAM prohibitions should be stronger. Look to the EU, not any party's politicians. Junk email from anyone is not welcomed. Junk political political email is especially unwelcome. Our society is barraged by junk political missives. Don't make it worse.

Reject AO 2022-14.

Lawrence H. Scher Whittier, CA.

Sent from my iPhone

 From:
 Timm Biery

 To:
 AO

 Subject:
 AO 2022-14

**Date:** Sunday, July 17, 2022 3:06:17 PM

To whom it may concern,

I absolutely, unequivocally OPPOSE allowing Google to let political email bypass spam filters.

I am already innundated with political communications - via snail mail, numerous phone calls and texts per day, door knockers, and television ads. It has become impossible to avoid during election years, which are basically every year!

I still receive phone calls and emails from politicians from areas I lived in years ago, even though I have repeatedly asked to be removed from their lists. To me, these people are among the worst examples of humanity.

Please do your part to save us from these ceaseless communications and, at the very least deny Google's request in AO 2022-14.

Thank you.

**Timothy Biery** 

 From:
 T Wright

 To:
 AO

 Subject:
 AO 2022-14

**Date:** Sunday, July 17, 2022 3:09:59 PM

Absolutely DO NOT grant this request!!

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Sent from Gmail Mobile

From: Benjamin Short

To: <u>AO</u>
Subject: AO 2022-14

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 3:10:12 PM

It goes without saying that NOBODY wants political spam evading spam filters and filling our email inboxes. It's unfortunate that Google wants to monetize political manipulation against the wishes of the users, but apparently we need to appeal to the government to stop this because Google is sadly incapable of doing the right thing on their own.

Please stop this short-sighted, greed-driven plan from becoming a reality. Bombardment from political propaganda is already a distopic situation corroding our nation.

Thanks for your consideration,

Benjamin Short

Tony del Rio From: AO 2022-14 To:

Subject:

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 3:10:45 PM

Hello,

I vehemently oppose the support of AO 2022-14.

Whatever happens, do not grant this request.

Enviado desde mi iPhone

 From:
 Dee Havel

 To:
 AO

 Subject:
 AO 2022-14

**Date:** Sunday, July 17, 2022 3:10:45 PM

Do. Not. Grant. This. Request!

 From:
 Debra Gilbert

 To:
 AO

 Subject:
 AO 2022-14

**Date:** Sunday, July 17, 2022 3:12:19 PM

This proposal by Google is about to open a pandora's box of problems.

It is bad enough that the government can't stop spam phone calls and sex and commercial spam emails. Now to allow an additional unfiltered entry into my inbox is disastrous. I do not want to spend hours clearing spam emails from my inbox.

while I know I can try to manually block or unsubscribe from the spam it rarely works and seems to just generate more spam.

It would probably be easier just to forward the unwanted spam to you. This way you can get to enjoy what you have sown.

If you can't guess I am totally opposed to this suggestion grom Google.

Wayne Liquorman From:

To:

AO 2022-14 Subject:

Sunday, July 17, 2022 3:13:11 PM Date:

No more spam in my inbox!

From: Verna Kragnes

To:

AO 2022-14 Subject:

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 3:24:14 PM

No!!!!!! Do not allow this change to email to happen? I don't want more political ads.

Verna Kragnes Moorhead, MN

Sent from my iPhone

 From:
 mau far

 To:
 AO

 Subject:
 AO 2022-14

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 3:27:41 PM

## AO 2022-14

No to any unsolicited political emails to my mailbox. Keep sending them to the junk folder.

Maurice E Farinas Sent from my iPhone AO 2022-

Maurice E Farinas, R.A.

Sent from my iPhone

 From:
 Mark Horn

 To:
 AO

 Subject:
 AO 2022-14

**Date:** Sunday, July 17, 2022 3:29:02 PM

I am writing to oppose this request from Google

Mark Horn Hamilton, NJ From: Susan K. Renbarger-Kelly

To: <u>AO</u>

**Subject:** AO 2022-14

**Date:** Sunday, July 17, 2022 3:43:08 PM

No! Absolutely do not allow Google to do this. If they are allowed to do this, what's next? Emails from porn companies going directly to my inbox rather than to ask spam?

SR Kelly

Aimee Paulson From:

To:

AO 2022-14 Subject:

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 3:48:47 PM

No. No. No. Do not allow unsolicited political emails. Still spam.

Aimee Paulson

 From:
 Carl Spencer

 To:
 AO

 Subject:
 AO 2022-14

**Date:** Sunday, July 17, 2022 3:55:21 PM

Hell no! I don't want that. I believe no sane person would want political spams in their inbox either. This is despicable. No way!

PCS

From: Jonathan Cardon

To:

AO 2022-14 Subject:

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 3:57:32 PM

DO.NOT.GRANT.THIS.REQUEST.THANK YOU.

 From:
 Sam Stones

 To:
 AO

 Subject:
 AO 2022-14

**Date:** Sunday, July 17, 2022 4:01:38 PM

Just no. Don't approve this.

From: Nancy Wakefield

To: <u>AO</u>

**Subject:** AO 2022-14

**Date:** Sunday, July 17, 2022 4:09:19 PM

Regarding Google's request to start spamming political ads...

No. Please. I already have plenty of political ads from individuals and organizations I support. I don't need ads from those that are anathema to me escaping the spam filters.

 From:
 Sean Holmes

 To:
 AO

 Subject:
 AO 2022-14

**Date:** Sunday, July 17, 2022 4:14:12 PM

I'm writing to you to voice my vehement opposition to this change to Gmail's handling of Political "Spam" messages. By landing these messages directly into our inboxes or giving any priority to unsolicited emails just because they come from a political group is basically giving Google/Gmail's support to the politicians and their messages.

On a daily basis we are already subjected to so much political propaganda in many forms and it is harder and harder to ignore it. Mailbox flyers, robo-phone calls and texts from out of the blue, TV ads, web pop ups, etc. Please don't turn Gmail into just another vehicle for these unwanted, unsolicited messages.

Don't let a few complaints from disgruntled politicians turn Gmail into just another instrument for political propaganda. We are seeing a surge in the dismantling of our democracy and oppression of rights on a daily basis and allowing these messages to flow unfettered into our inboxes will only hasten this.

Thank you Concerned American Sean 
 From:
 Brian Hagy

 To:
 AO

 Subject:
 AO 2022-14

**Date:** Sunday, July 17, 2022 4:18:07 PM

I oppose letting Google letting political email to bypass spam filters. If I want a political email, I will solicit it by going to a campaign, PAC, or interest group's website directly and signing up for newsletters or whatever. With as much news hits the airwaves (both physical and digital), I am able to find out what I want without being force fed information. Thank you for extending the public comment period on this. My schedule is busy these days as I return for covid, and this extension have me a chance to chime in.

Thank you for your time and willingness to hear from the public.

Brian Hagy

knuckles1974 From: AO 2022-14 To:

Subject:

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 4:22:38 PM

I oppose Google's plan to direct political emails to my inbox by default.

That's all the FEC needs to know about my position.

Regards,

Chris Michalides Gmail user

Be well!

Chris

 From:
 Anony Mous

 To:
 AO

 Subject:
 AO 2022-14

**Date:** Sunday, July 17, 2022 4:26:15 PM

#### In re AO 2022-14

Please God no. Political contacts should be opt-in ONLY. I'm already deluged with garbage physical mail from both parties; I vote EVERY election based on actual political party performance, as should every responsible voter. This stuff is purest propaganda, actual agitprop, it's designed to deceive and misinform, it is a plague.

From: Thomas Koitzsch

To:

AO 2022-14 Subject:

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 4:30:38 PM

We vehemently oppose Googles plan to let political emails by pass spam filters . Please do not grant Thank you

Thomas and Morgan Koitzsch



 From:
 Visi Wade

 To:
 AO

 Subject:
 AO 2022-14

**Date:** Sunday, July 17, 2022 4:32:11 PM

#### No!

Please do not allow Google to prioritize political emails to bypass the spam filter.

The last 7 years have been far too stressful and I'm constantly inundated with political email already.

For Sanity's sake, if anything we need more protection against spam.

From: <u>David Donnelly</u>

**To:** <u>AO</u>

**Subject:** AO 2022-14

**Date:** Sunday, July 17, 2022 4:33:28 PM

## NO NO NO NO 1000x NO

The users of Gmail do NOT want unsolicited spam for ANY purpose.

Google sees this as an opportunity to make more money.

NO!

David Donnelly Evansville IN

Ralph Zubiate From: To:

Subject:

AO AO 2022-14 Sunday, July 17, 2022 4:34:07 PM Date:

No. Don't exempt political emails from spam protection.

Thank you.

From: Bernice Smedesb

To:

AO 2022-14 Subject:

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 4:40:53 PM

I want google to continue sending emails from all political sources to my spam folder.

Bernice Smedes

Sent from my iPad

 From:
 dbstillings

 To:
 AO

 Subject:
 AO 2022-14

**Date:** Sunday, July 17, 2022 4:41:03 PM

Please do not grant this request.

"Allowing Google to prioritize political emails ... would basically mean that Google was providing a large political donation to every politician sending emails to Gmail addresses."

Thank you

Linda Threlkeld From:

To:

AO 2022-14 Subject:

Sunday, July 17, 2022 4:48:33 PM Date:

Do. Not. Grant. This. Request.

Linda Threlkeld

 From:
 Gregg Jaffe

 To:
 AO

 Subject:
 AO 2022-14

**Date:** Sunday, July 17, 2022 4:50:21 PM

Please reject this. It is beneficial to only those who don't need it and will carry a huge burden to those who will be most affected by it. Please say no.

Thank you Gregg Jaffe From: <u>J L M Bible Teachings</u>

**To:** <u>AO</u> **Subject:** AO 2022-14

**Date:** Sunday, July 17, 2022 5:10:02 PM

Please for all that is good, don't let this go through. We get enough spam. This is one reason most of us switched to gmail. Yahoo, hotmail, ect.... became unbearable with over 300 spam messages a day. Please don't loose us.

From:

To: <u>A</u>

**Subject:** AO 2022-14

**Date:** Sunday, July 17, 2022 5:12:15 PM

The world is already swimming and unwanted junk mail, and spam catching systems are just barely keeping up with them. This request from Google to allow political mail to be passed unfiltered into our inboxes should be rejected.

All unsolicited mail is spam. Registered political groups should not be exempted.

From: Libby Donoghue

To:

AO 2022-14 Subject:

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 5:17:01 PM

No. No. No. Also, no.

 From:
 Barry Check

 To:
 AO

 Subject:
 AO 2022-14

**Date:** Sunday, July 17, 2022 5:18:34 PM

Re: AO 2022-14

I'm totally against this Google proposal of inundating my gmail inbox account with more spam by exempting political ads. I want more spam filtering not more political garbage.

Barry Check

Pam McMillin From: AO 2022-14 To:

Subject:

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 5:23:16 PM

Hell No to google! We do not need more political emails, we need LESS of them!!

Sent from my iPad

Chuck Hunt From: To: <u>AO</u> Subject: AO 2022-14

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 5:25:11 PM

I have mixed feelings about the requested change to how gmail processes political emails. Unless there are options to allow the user to suppress these kinds of (e.g. route to a "political" folder), I encourage the FEC to reject the proposal or to require options to allow users to "opt out"...

Sent from my iPad

 From:
 Paul Baker

 To:
 AO

 Subject:
 AO 2022-14

**Date:** Sunday, July 17, 2022 5:25:42 PM

## ABSOLUTELY NOT. 100 % HORRIBLE IDEA

Paul Baker

 From:
 LON COHEN

 To:
 AO

**Subject:** AO 2022-14

**Date:** Sunday, July 17, 2022 5:30:21 PM

Please say no to this proposal. In the last month I have received in excess of 2500 unsolicited e-mails (SPAM) trying to sell me something I have no interest in.

Unsolicited political e-mails are no different. They usually contain falsehoods that prove wrong when fact checked and tend to inflame the vulnerable.

I do not want, nor do I need, more junk mail and/or spam in my in-box. Vote no on this proposal.

Lon Cohen Lynnfield, MA 
 From:
 Tab Stone

 To:
 AO

 Subject:
 AO 2022-14.

**Date:** Sunday, July 17, 2022 3:30:08 PM

Please reject Google's request to allow political mail to bypass spam filters. Those who are interested can change the settings for these emails. Don't allow them to annoy the uninterested majority of users.

**CW Robertson** From:

To:

AO 2022-14. Subject:

Sunday, July 17, 2022 5:21:54 PM Date:

I am not in favor of this change. And I recommend it be disapproved.

Thanks.

-C. W. Robertson

From: To:

Subject:

Nick Colavito AO AO 2022-14. Sunday, July 17, 2022 3:10:10 PM Date:

This proposal is a terrible idea. Please do not do this.

From: <u>Claudia Bryant</u>

To: <u>AO</u>

**Subject:** AO 2022-14."

**Date:** Sunday, July 17, 2022 3:40:23 PM

# AO 2022-14."

Please don't force me to eliminate political emails one by one as spam!

 From:
 Lin Jovanovic

 To:
 AO

**Subject:** AO 2022-14

**Date:** Sunday, July 17, 2022 2:13:25 PM

Please do not approve Google's request to put political emails into my in box. I do not want to have to manually mark them as spam and I only want to see political ads if I subscribe to them.

Linda Jovanović

Sent from my iPhone

From: <u>Tracey Holland</u>

To: <u>AO</u>

**Subject:** AO- 2022-14

**Date:** Sunday, July 17, 2022 3:08:58 PM

Please DO NOT support Google's request to slam political spam down our throats. This will not improve privacy or morale. It is just irritating and divisive.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Tracey Holland de Gonzalez Sarasota, Fl From: Anthony Palamone

To: <u>AO</u>

Subject: AO 2022-gov

**Date:** Sunday, July 17, 2022 3:34:18 PM

Please do not allow this change which will result in so much unwanted political spam. It is a total anathema to me & a will be a definite inconvenience and unproductive time sink. That will be resented by the vast majority of the public.

If this is enacted I and I suspect millio software other will search for and adopt another provider.

From: Rhoda To:

Subject:

AO AO2022-14. Google Sunday, July 17, 2022 3:35:18 PM Date:

Absolutely do not pass this action.....send all spam to spam!!!

Sent from my iPad

From:
To:
AO

**Subject:** AO-2022-14

**Date:** Sunday, July 17, 2022 2:35:37 PM

I am opposed to letting political emails avoid the Spam filter! I do not want to be solicited by a political party sending mass emails. They are deceiving & probably dishonest, which is one of the definitions os Spam!

Wayne Peel

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Wayne Peel

 From:
 b&p

 To:
 AO

**Subject:** Campaign ads need to be spam-filtered! **Date:** Sunday, July 17, 2022 5:22:36 PM

The honest ones will pass scrutiny, but the public needs help in discerning which are and which aren't honest. Let these ads see if they can pass spam filters - it will help sort the truth from the lies.

Paul Payton Chatham, NJ

Francesco Rizzo From:

To:

AO Do not approve AO 2022-14 Sunday, July 17, 2022 2:10:54 PM Subject: Date:

Do not approve AO 2022-14

Dearborn Miner From:

To:

AO Do not approve AO 2022-14 Sunday, July 17, 2022 2:11:50 PM Subject: Date:

Do not approve AO 2022-14

Fabrizio Rizzo Photography From:

To:

AO Do not approve AO 2022-14 Sunday, July 17, 2022 2:10:09 PM Subject: Date:

Do not approve AO 2022-14

From: <u>Stephen Kendra</u>

To: AO

Subject: Feedback About AO 2022-14

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 3:21:46 PM

As a cybersecurity professional, I would strongly encourage the FCC to reject this proposal by Google as it is a step in the wrong direction for controlling spam. It's yet another example of a politically-motivated agenda.

Steve Kendra

From: <u>Walt Daniels</u>

To: AO

**Subject:** Gmail political spam proposition **Date:** Sunday, July 17, 2022 3:54:11 PM

As one of those who contributed to the original RFCs that created email as a method for individuals to communicate, I object to any attempts to subvert a pure opt-in model.

I subscribe to many mailing lists, including politicians who represent me and that I can vote for/against, independent of political party. I quickly get off lists that share my email address with others. I pay attention to what they say and how they say it when it comes time to reelect them. Unfortunately such emails are rarely a trustworthy source of reliable information as they all put their spin on what they say.

That said, I trust my ability to evaluate what I receive in email, but I don't trust most others to be as good bullshit detectors. In other words, I would rather outlaw all political email (and get info I need from trusted sources) than make it any easier to proliferate garbage that affects how others vote.

As others have observed, and I can collaborate, a lot of political email winds up in my spam folder, but, for me, it is dominated by GOP emails and for good reason: They don't know how to write emails that avoid being spammy.

Consider requiring, as for political ads on TV, a statement in the email that this message was endorsed by candidate - name. Messages without endorsement should be prime candidates for the spam folder.

#### In short:

- 1. require opt-in
- 2. prosecute offenders (for politicians candidate or party as appropriate)

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Walt Daniels

From: <u>Dennis mcConnell</u>

To: AC

**Subject:** Google Gmail request 2022-14 "unsolicited political emails"

**Date:** Sunday, July 17, 2022 4:53:53 PM

Regarding the case AO 2022-14, unsolicited political emails, my opinion is that unsolicited emails of a political (or any unsolicited email) is spam and existing spam filters should be made stronger, not removed or weakened to allow these emails into our inbox.

I would view such a change as infringing upon my right to privacy. For anyone who wishes to see such unsolicited political emails, the option to view spam is always available.

I also find the "unsubscribe" option is usually complex and tedious and should be required to be easier to use with just a click of a button.

Sincerely,

Dennis McConnell The Woodlands, Tx

James 1:19 NIV

[19] My dear brothers and sisters, take note of this: Everyone should be quick to listen, slow to speak and slow to become angry,

From: John Chesney

To:

Subject:

AO Google mail Sunday, July 17, 2022 5:21:09 PM Date:

Stop Google's request AO 2022-14

Sent from my iPhone

 From:
 Lydia

 To:
 AO

**Subject:** Google Ref AO 2022-14

**Date:** Sunday, July 17, 2022 3:23:55 PM

Please keep political email contribution requests sent to SPAM folder.

DO.NOT GRANT THIS REQUEST.

Thanks
Lydia Fowler, Pennsylvania
Sent from the all new AOL app for Android

 From:
 Eric Toder

 To:
 AO

 Subject:
 Google request AO 2022-14

 Date:
 Sunday, July 17, 2022 4:05:15 PM

Please do not grant Google's request to allow more unsolicited political messages to avoid their spam filters.

Eric Toder

From: Ray Hemsher

To: <u>AO</u>

 Subject:
 Google request AO 2022-14

 Date:
 Sunday, July 17, 2022 5:10:40 PM

Regarding Google request AO 2022-14, please add my "NO" vote to this. I cannot have further junk mail regarding political "junk" and advertising crushing my inbox w/o being filtered by my spam selections.

Anything that I see routed to my spam folder that I actually want in the way of unsolicited advertising, I can easily change the destination!

Ray Hemsher

From: Howard Rosenman

To: AO

 Subject:
 Google Request AO 2022-14

 Date:
 Sunday, July 17, 2022 5:02:58 PM

I am writing to voice my strong objection to allow political mailings to bypass the GMail spam filters.

I do not need or want unsolicited political email from any party. Allowing "free range" emailing to all gmail users virtually guarantees a flood of these emails especially since they cost virtually nothing to send. It does not serve the **public** interest - it serves the interests of the **political parties**. These are **not** your constituents!

If this is implemented I will likely close my gmail account due to the erosion of its usability.

Thank you for considering this comment.

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Howard E. Rosenman Everett, WA, USA From:

To:

Nicci Stephens AO Google request AO 2022-14 Sunday, July 17, 2022 3:16:37 PM Subject: Date:

Please do not approve this request.

From: <u>Walt Howard</u>

**To:** <u>AO</u>

Subject: Google's AO 2022-14

**Date:** Sunday, July 17, 2022 5:04:24 PM

I think this idea of theirs is ludicrous. Why would I want more spammy political emails sent to me? It seems like this would almost be Google working together with certain politicians in an apparent unpaid contribution, to the candidates of Google's choice. I will likely ditch my Gmail address if this proposal goes through.

Thanks, Walt Howard Charlotte NC From: greg heitmann

**To:** <u>AO</u>

 Subject:
 Google's proposal AO 2022-14

 Date:
 Sunday, July 17, 2022 5:28:15 PM

I object to Google's proposal to relax spam screening for unsolicited e-mail political request. This is totally absurd to give a private organization the right to further the problem of unsolicited junk PACs are not truthful or deceptive in there political attacks online. Also, they they do not have to comply with Federal Election laws as the candidates do.

Religion and politics should not be entitled to any more special treatment.

Greg Heitmann

From: <u>David Rosenthal</u>

To: AO

 Subject:
 Google"s request AO 2022-14

 Date:
 Sunday, July 17, 2022 3:01:59 PM

Do not give Google and their political donors, left or right, this power! They already have too much power as it is! Absolutely and unequivocally, no!

# Best, David Rosenthal Parity Mailtrack Best, Best, Best, By Mailtrack

 From:
 Jill Sinatra

 To:
 AO

**Subject:** Google"s request

**Date:** Sunday, July 17, 2022 5:08:27 PM

Do not forward political correspondence directly to my email. I get enough junk in my email.

I don't want any REPUBLICAN correspondence sent to me. It belongs in my spam box, until I delete it.

Joan Warschauer From:

To:

AO Google"s request: "AO 2022-14." Sunday, July 17, 2022 4:28:55 PM Subject: Date:

Keep political emails in SPAM, where they belong.

From: kathryn myers

To:

AO Google"s request: "AO 2022-14." Sunday, July 17, 2022 4:56:59 PM Subject: Date:

This has got to be the Worst. Idea. Ever. No No No No No

From: <u>Michael Kelley</u>

**To:** <u>AO</u>

 Subject:
 Google"s request: "AO 2022-14."

 Date:
 Sunday, July 17, 2022 2:45:16 PM

This is, without a doubt, the worst proposal of the century. Not, NO, but HELL NO!

Michael Kelley Hanson, KY 
 From:
 Lori Rose

 To:
 AO

**Subject:** Google"s request: "AO 2022-14" **Date:** Sunday, July 17, 2022 3:35:47 PM

Having just cleared 40,000+ political emails from my deceased mother-inlaw's email account I can say that this is a terrible idea. No one wants more spam. Please vote against Google's proposal.

Thank you, Lori Rose 8504 From: <u>Larry Karbowiak</u>

To:

 Subject:
 Google"s request: AO 2022-14

 Date:
 Sunday, July 17, 2022 4:29:44 PM

Please reject this request from Google. I do not want my inbox inundated with these unwanted emails.--

Best regards,

Larry

Larry Karbowiak

 From:
 14tomac

 To:
 AO

**Subject:** I am AGAINST Google"s request: "AO 2022-14."

**Date:** Sunday, July 17, 2022 3:55:25 PM

I am against Google's request Google's request: "AO 2022-14." Please do NOT approve their request.

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From: To:

Mea AO Sunday, July 17, 2022 3:39:37 PM Date:

No way in hell AO-2022-14.

 From:
 Mark Morel

 To:
 AO

Subject: No Spam AO 2022-14

**Date:** Sunday, July 17, 2022 4:41:16 PM

Please do not, DO NOT! allow government sponsored spam in our inboxes as AO 2022-14 would allow. This would be an egregious affront to our privacy in a blatant attempt to fundraise for politicians. There is already too much money in politics (Citizens United anyone?), so I implore you to keep this garbage out of our inboxes.

Regards, Mark Morel Carlsbad, CA

Shannon McConnell From:

To:

AO No to AO 2022-14 Subject:

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 4:39:46 PM

I say no to AO 2022-14. I do not want that junk in my inbox.

Shannon McConnell From:

To:

AO No to AO 2022-14 Subject:

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 4:41:03 PM

I say no to AO 2022-14. I do not want all those advertisements in my inbox.

From: Shannon McConnell

**To:** <u>AO</u>

**Subject:** No to AO 2022-14

**Date:** Sunday, July 17, 2022 4:42:10 PM

No to AO 2022-14. I do not want that junk in my inbox.

Shannon McConnell From:

To:

AO No to AO 2022-14 Subject:

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 4:38:47 PM

I say no to AO 2022-14. I do not want all this junk in my inbox.

From: Don Kopriva To:

Subject:

AO No to Google request Sunday, July 17, 2022 4:50:46 PM Date:

Please reject Google email/spam request AO 2022-14.

Thank you.

Don Kopriva

From: <u>Steven Lueck</u>

To: AO

Subject: NO to Google"s request to allow political emails to bypass SPAM filters - AO 2022-14

**Date:** Sunday, July 17, 2022 2:47:09 PM

## Greetings & Salutations:

# NO! Emphatically NO!

Is this something from the Proud Boys "Playbook to Incite Violent Revolution?" Surely, no sane person could ever be in favor of allowing political crap to bypass spam filters. If any political emails get through, will google pay a fine? Will it be doubled or tripled if the ad proclaims a falsehood? I suggest \$10 per unsolicited, political email for starters.

However, should you ignore this and allow Google to bypass filters with political spam, please inform them that I will close my account.

Thank you,

Steven Lueck

From: <u>Donna Hofmeister</u>

**To:** <u>AO</u>

**Subject:** Political emails

**Date:** Sunday, July 17, 2022 5:25:50 PM

Please do not add any type of political affiliated emails to my in box. I do not request them and do not like what I consider spam added to my in box. There is an appropriate place for them...Spam

Donna Hofmeister

From: <u>Jasmine Spirit</u>

**To:** <u>AO</u>

Subject: POLITICAL SPAM REFERENCE NUMBER AO 2022-14

**Date:** Sunday, July 17, 2022 4:01:43 PM

Please, DO NOT start directing political SPAM messages into my inbox! Blocking that crap is TOO TIME CONSUMING. Plus, it would be mixed in with wanted messages that then could be accidentally deleted.

### SEND THEM DIRECTLY TO SPAM!

The system you use now is perfect. DO NOT CHANGE IT! I can always redirect those email myself if I want that trash in my inbox. GMAIL DO NOT MAKE THAT CHOICE FOR ME!!

DO NOT flood my inbox with that political rubbish!!!!!

Gmail does NOT need to offend the consumer like this.

REFERENCE NUMBER AO 2022-14

From: Wendy Noyb
To: AO

Subject: Re AO 2022-14

**Date:** Sunday, July 17, 2022 4:47:50 PM

Please please please continue marking political emails as spam! I am sorry I ever signed up to receive email from these entities. It is impossible to shut off! If anything, you should be making it easier for us to keep these e-mails out of our inboxes. I block, unsubscribe, set as spam, and they still keep coming! Help us! We're drowning in this shit! Perhaps a class-action suit is in order...

Sincerely, Wendy Gonzales

Sent from my iPhone

From: <u>Kathy Ellis-Kelemen</u>

To: AC

Subject: Re Google Request AO 2022-14

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 3:58:28 PM

# No No No No No!

Do NOT allow any email service to let political spam bypass our spam folder and land in our inboxes, to be manually deleted one by one.

NO NO NO NO NO!!!!!

Kathy Ellis-Kelemen Salem, Oregon

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Sent from Gmail Mobile

From: Brian Mabe
To: AO

Subject: Re google request AO 2022-14

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 4:26:28 PM

Please deny this request. Unwanted spam is a big enough problem without letting every political campaign have a free pass. Additionally this equates to free campaign contributions to anyone who sends an email. This proposal is a nightmare. Do. Not. Approve. Thank you.

Brian Mabe

 From:
 TLC

 To:
 AO

**Subject:** RE: AO 2022-14

**Date:** Sunday, July 17, 2022 4:51:11 PM

# To whom it may concern:

I object to the proposed pilot that states emails from some FEC-registered political committees would "not be affected by forms of spam detection to which they would otherwise be subject."

Do not make this requested change.

Thank you,

Terie Caldwell

From: <u>Kathleen Mullen</u>

To:

Subject: Re: Google request AO 2022-14

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 2:13:48 PM

# Good day,

Do. Not. Approve. This. Request. Under no circumstances should this request be approved. Political emails are simply glorified misinformation. In other words SPAM. SPAM IS SPAM no matter who sent it.

Regards, Fed up citiizen 
 From:
 DB Wilson

 To:
 AO

 Subject:
 RE: Google"s request: AO 2022-14

 Date:
 Sunday, July 17, 2022 3:49:35 PM

Do NOT allow this change. I hate these messages and I would hate to have to deal with them on a daily basis. This is NOT in the consumer's best interest.

No. No. No.

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DB Wilson

 From:
 Dave Gay

 To:
 AO

Subject: Ref: AO 2022-14

**Date:** Sunday, July 17, 2022 2:13:03 PM

Implementation of the relaxed spam categorization as proposed in reference above severely aggravates the ongoing problem with spam which both government and tech providers are arable or unwilling to mitigate. Cell phones and email are already serious hampered in their utility as it is. Understanding that users of Gmail already have a very convenient means of reclassying spam as "not spam" in their folders, it is blatantly stupid to let these emails bypass the filter.

ADAMANTLY OPPOSED TO THIS LUNACY.

From: MISHAL ATTEBERRY

To: AC

**Subject:** Reference # AO 2022-14 **Date:** Sunday, July 17, 2022 4:35:04 PM

# To Whom it May Concern:

# Regarding AO 2022-14:

Please do not move forward with the plan to exempt some political emails in Gmail from spam. It is completely unacceptable I would have to delete these by hand while you give political committees and candidates data about how many of these wind up in my Gmail account.

Reject the proposition entirely.

MA

From: Gary R Lassin

To: AO

 Subject:
 reference number AO 2022-14

 Date:
 Sunday, July 17, 2022 2:58:59 PM

In regards to Google's request, reference number AO 2022-14.

# I OPPOSE!!!!!

DO NOT ALLOW POLITICAL EMAILS TO BYPASS SPAM FILTERS.

Let the political parties advise constituents to check their spam folders for messages and Mark them NOT SPAM if they want to receive them.

A small percentage of people want these emails so DO NOT BURDEN the majority of people who DO NOT what these to have to mark them spam.

This is a no-brainer except the right thing to do for people is not always how government things get done. Prove this one can get done appropriately.

| Gary         |  |
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| <br>Regards, |  |
| Gary         |  |
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 From:
 ERB

 To:
 AO

 Subject:
 Reference: Google AO 2022-14

 Date:
 Sunday, July 17, 2022 3:58:14 PM

I am writing to express my concern that Google will be allowed to provide support to political parties and individual candidates by giving them the special right to bypass crucial spam detection filters without having to declare the value of what constitutes corporate in-kind donations to these candidates and/or parties.

When I get USPS junk mail from political candidates or their party, they have been required to pay postage for their correspondence to me. When I get spam calls from political candidates, they've had to pay for making those phone calls. Google should not be allowed to bypass this financial requirement in order to promote political candidates in secret.

If every other email has to go through the spam detection filters except political emails, that is forcing the American public to be exposed to political communications against our will in order to prioritize a private company's desire to support political efforts without having to declare the true value of the support.

This is wrong in so many ways.

We no longer seem to be organized by law and order, but rather by wealth and power. You're supposed to be on the side of law and order.

Sincerely,

E.R. Bakwin

 From:
 MJBurman

 To:
 AO

**Subject:** Regarding AO 2022-14

**Date:** Sunday, July 17, 2022 4:45:33 PM

# To Whom It May Concern:

I strongly object to Google's proposal to let political ads circumvent current Spam software.

Do not allow this to happen.

Michael J. Burmeister, LMGI



From:
To:
AO

Subject: Regarding Google Request AO 2022-14

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 3:49:46 PM

Please, don't allow Google, or anyone else, to have this ability to bypass spam filters. This is a BAD IDEA. Most of us already get hundreds of spam emails everyday, please don't add to the load.

Anyone proposing, or allowing, this idea of political SPAM bypassing spam filters should be tied to a chair in front of a TV set with their eyes taped open and forced to watch hundreds of hours of 'my opponent is a scumbag' ads.

Allowing a prioritization of political emails would mean that Google was providing a large political donation to every politician sending emails to Gmail addresses. Isn't this illegal? We already know they suppress Republican/Conservative sounding emails and ads, and push Democrat/Progressive sounding emails and ads. Democrat/Republican/Independent/WHOEVER – THIS IS WRONG. If someone has to cheat to win, then they don't deserve to win – ANYTHING.

 From:
 Sally Buta

 To:
 AO

Subject: Regarding Google request: AO 2022-14

Date: Sunday, July 17, 2022 3:29:30 PM

To whom it may concern.

I am completely against allowing Google to exempt political email communications from spam filters.

By doing do, Google is elevating Political campaigns above personal preferences, and damaging my personal experience.

I believe that there is already too much corporate and PAC money in politics and the impact of the average American's opinion is being lost to those that have money.

Please do NOT approve of exempting Political emails from Spam filters.

Sarah Buta

From: Adam Premo

To: AO

 Subject:
 Reject proposal AO 2022-14.

 Date:
 Sunday, July 17, 2022 3:43:59 PM

### Good afternoon,

I ask that you continue to put all political in the spam folder for both parties. The republicans complaining have a history of lying to suit their needs. For reference many continue lying about who won the 2020 election, they spread lies about covid, Donald Trump was proven to have lied or spread misinformation or got facts wrong over 30,000 times in his four year term. If people want ads from politicians they can go to their website and click on their subscribe button. I shouldn't be harrassed by emails asking me for a dollar when i work my butt and they having the backing of the RNC and DNC which are both nothing more than corrupt corporate slush funds. No one should receive correspondence just because they scream on the floor of the house and senate and pass 0 legislation.

If allowed will google be spending resource to vet the truth of all these ads? I suspect they won't.

If you allow the political parties to email individuals without their express consent, than you open the door for every political action group to also do it ie:Black Lives Matter, HRC, Southern Poverty law center, ACLU, I could go on.

Please dont go down a slippery slope that will cause more anger and division in the country. People can follow whomever they want and give them the email. Its the voters responsiblity to be informed and get information on their politicians not Google or the FEC.

Thank you for your attention to this email and matter.

-Adam Premo-

From: Paul Laredo <

**Sent:** Sunday, July 17, 2022 11:38 AM

To: AO

**Subject:** AO 2022-14

Please do not allow political emails to bypass SPAM filters, they are the very definition of SPAM.

Paul Laredo

President

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